

Loyd Newsletter

Loyd Presbyterian Church

November 16, 2011



Terry Baker sent in these two pictures of the work on "Chapelwood" that is in progress on the Cannonville property.



Pat Herring sent in this picture of some of our youth who participated in "Rake 'n Run." Pat says, "Thanks, guys and Loyd!"



Our terrific middle and senior high youth will be volunteering some of their time for outdoor work again during the Thanksgiving holidays. All youth, family, and friends are invited to help clear and clean up the Cannonville property on Wednesday morning, November 23. The group will meet at the church at 9:45 a.m.

SANTA CLAUS EXPRESS 2011

Each year, Presbyterian women celebrate the holidays with residents of the health services centers at Presbyterian Home, Quitman, and Presbyterian Village, Austell.

If you have not yet picked up your information sheet from your church mailbox, please do so this week. The drop-off date is rapidly approaching.

The information sheet will tell you everything you need to know about how to be one of Santa's special helpers!



FROM YOUR PASTOR: GIVE THANKS FOR WHAT'S TO COME!

This Thanksgiving will be a very thankful one for our congregation.

Our new pastor is not far away. A new beginning will soon be upon us. God has been preparing someone to be our pastor, and if everything goes okay, that person should be here in February.

We have also come a long way this year. We have spent time preparing our congregation for this new person. We even took a survey that told us who we are and how we see our ministry.

Now we wait in anticipation to meet the person God has chosen. They will be leaving a community where they made many friends and put down roots. When they arrive here there will be some anxiety and fear as both we and our new pastor's family wonder if the right choice was made.

Your search committee did a complete search. They looked at personal information forms from pastors across the country. They narrowed their search to the final three they felt God had led them to.

Now it's time to trust! Again, if everything goes well, you will soon find out more and eventually will vote on this person as your next pastor. This is truly a time to give thanks!

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**THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL,
"THE RELUCTANT INNKEEPER,"**

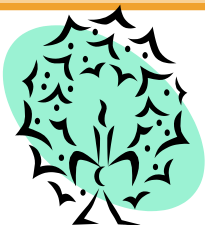
will be on Sunday, December 4, at 6:00 p.m.

The rehearsal schedule is as follows:

- Today, November 16, 5:30-6:30 p.m., 3rd–5th graders only.
- Wednesday, November 30, (Dress Rehearsal) 5:30–6:30 p.m. ALL children in the Musical.



The annual Thanksgiving Dinner prepared by the Men of the Church will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23. Men, you may cook the food yourself, purchase it from a retail establishment, or pay someone other than your wife to fix the food that you bring. Meat should NOT be turkey.



DECK THE HALLS

The Worship Committee invites anyone and everyone to decorate the church for the Christmas season.



Many hands will make this fun event go fast. This all-church decorating party will be on Saturday, November 26, time to be announced.

**Please continue to remember
in your prayers
the following people:**

- Caleb Kinnersley**
- Pete Gordon**
- Marie Holcomb** (Anne Hall's mother)
- Myrtle Rowe**
- Frances Hollis**
- Betty Thompson**
- Macel Ballew, Jr.**
- Alice Cavender**
- Philip Mullenix** (in Afghanistan)

Please help keep our prayer list up to date. Notify us if someone needs to be added or removed.

**Prayer Requests
from Sunday, November 13**

- Larkin Parker**
- Jamie Goldston**
- Richard Hudson**
- Owen Norris**
- Lynn Smith**
- The family of Francis Bryan**
- The Moore Family**
- Arnold and Barbara Darden**
- The Rick Smith family**
- Our Troops and Families**
- Our Congregation**
- World Peace**

Attendance last week:	Sunday School - 58	Worship - 118
Operating Fund:	Building Fund:	
Received 11/13 - \$4,922.00	Received 11/13 - \$950.00	
Month to date - \$9,453.00	Month to date - \$1,805.00	
Budget per month - \$16,250.00	Monthly Loan Payment - \$4,000.00	
	Building Fund Balance - \$8,315.07	
	Building Loan Balance - \$130,155.16	
	Building Repair Fund Balance - \$2,295.73	

The church office will be closed on Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, for the Thanksgiving holiday. Because of the short work week, the regular newsletter will be abbreviated to a "News and Notes" e-mail which will go out on Monday afternoon. If you have any news or notes to submit, please provide the information by e-mail or phone to Cathy by 11:00 a.m. on Monday. The deadline for items for the bulletin will be noon on Tuesday. Thanks for your help!

PICTURES FROM YOUTH OUTDOOR WORSHIP WITH 1ST PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH!



Reminder: Youth who are participating in the Fantasy in Lights Walk at Callaway Gardens this Sunday should meet at the church at 4:30 p.m.

Thanks to Koren Stapp for sending in the pictures from Youth Worship!

Each year at Thanksgiving we receive an offering for the Thornwell Home and School for Children in Clinton, SC. Thornwell is all about helping children and youth — caring for them, nurturing them, helping prepare them to become the faithful individuals God created them to be. Founded in 1875, Thornwell is a vital ministry of the PCUSA, helping children and families throughout the 3-state region of the Synod of the South Atlantic: South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. Each year, Thornwell's referral network receives more than 300 calls from families in crisis; and, each year, more than 100 children find their way to the home. Most come battered and broken, frightened, full of sadness and despair. Thornwell offers them a safe haven; a warm, loving, family-style community in which to grow and thrive. We will take up this offering on Sunday, November 20, and at the Thanksgiving Dinner on Wednesday, November 23.

Attention all L Club members (50 years and older):

We're planning an outing to Opelika for the Victorian Front Porch Christmas Tour on Friday evening, December 9, time to be announced. We will take the church bus for the lighted driving tour where you can see the historic Victorian homes of Opelika transformed into an Old World Christmas wonderland. This unique event has been voted one of the Southeast's top tourism events and welcomes more than 10,000 visitors annually. Admission to this spectacular production is free. As a bonus, you may go inside some of the homes if you wish.

After the tour, we will have dessert at Wade and Anne Hall's house. We need a head count, so if you're planning to go, or if you need more information, please call Barbara Darden at 706-884-4085.



As we enter into this Thanksgiving season, I would like to give thanks to all my church family for your thoughts and prayers during my illness. The food that was prepared was a blessing in itself. The ladies AND men did an excellent job. I was also showered with lots of cards, thoughtful gifts, and encouraging phone calls. The youth even joined in with the rake 'n' run and a bountiful fruit basket.

Thanks again for all your kindness, and I hope you have a blessed Thanksgiving.

Alesia Nixon

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

A very big thanks to all who helped with Fall Youth Club, including: Lynn Pauley, Peggy Darden, Trudy Calhoun, Thomas Moat, Laurie Hester, Pam Darden, Kelly Mooney, Laura Townsend, Koren Stapp, Elaine Partin, Jordan and Jenna Stapp, Maclain Skinner; and to those who cooked: Patti Knox, Gary Knox, Men of the Church, PW Circles, Youth and Mike and Lynn, Bernice Griffeth, Jane and Jimmy Moat. Hope we haven't left anyone out!

Theresa Henke and Kathey Sandiford, Coordinators

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: Someone to organize Children's Church from January to June 2012. The responsibility is to print the lesson from a website or lesson book, gather the needed supplies, and coordinate volunteers to carry it out. Anyone interested should contact Maggie Brown or Koren Stapp. Many thanks to those who have volunteered for this over the last few years: Melissa Robertson, Brandi Knox, Donna Barton, Kathey Sandiford, Maggie Brown, Amy Turner, and Arie Turner.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Liturgist: Maureen Struble

Elder on Duty: Arnold Darden and Carolyn Chaput

Ushers: Arnold Darden, Mickey Norris, Vaughn Yarbrough

Greeters: Bobby and Suzi Goldston

Nursery: Elaine Partin (Sunday School), Holly Davidson (Worship)

Toddlers: Amy Turner

Children's Church: Melissa Robertson



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Session Members

Maggie Brown (2011)
Carolyn Chaput (2011)
Lynn Pauley (2011)
Bill Rowden (2011)
Arnold Darden (2012)
Gary Headrick (2012)
Koren Stapp (2012)
Ann Cathey (2013)
Charles Darden (2013)
Hal Davidson (2013)
Carolyn Stephens (2013)

LOYD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PROGRAM TEAM

David Omerod	Interim Pastor
Cathy Sargent	Office Manager
Shelley Skinner	Financial Secretary
Mike Pauley	Youth Director
Marty Davis	Music Director
James Camp	Pianist
Jo Loyd	Organist
Jayne Pauley	Nursery Coordinator
Pam Darden	God's Promised Land
Brandi Knox and Melissa Robertson	
Children's Church Coordinators	

