

Pastor To Take Some Vacation Time in July

I am going to be taking some vacation time in the month of July. I will be on vacation beginning Tuesday July 7th through Saturday July 18th. I will be out of the pulpit on Sunday July 12th, but have arranged for Rick Galyean to lead the worship that day. I have asked him to provide a musical worship experience. I don't know what he has in mind, but I think that you will want to be present for this worship service. From what I have gathered, he has some very special music planned for this day—both congregational and via persons and groups.

Debbie and I and the family need to go to Michigan to check on her parents and her grandmother. Currently, I don't know the exact day that we will be leaving town, but for sure we will be out of town Sunday the 12th through Friday the 17th.

Join Us for the Prayer Study

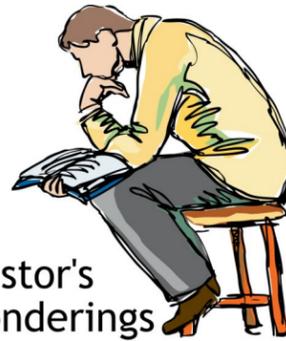
I think we had a good study this past Wednesday night. I saw some people at the study that I don't normally see at such activities. I'd really like to see more fresh faces this coming Wednesday. We will be in session 2 of the Before Amen series narrated and taught by Max Lucado, via video. It begins at 5:30 pm. I suggest that you plan on coming to our fellowship supper and simply come an hour earlier. We'll be done with the video and discussion by around 6:10 pm and you can stay for the dinner.

Beth Hagan Will Be Returning to Church Soon...

We have all been eagerly awaiting the return of Beth Hagan to our community and, especially, to our church. Hopefully, one Sunday in July, she will be back home with us! As she comes back into the community, there are some things that we, her church family, need to consider.

I asked her if I could share with the congregation some of the things that we need to be aware of once she is back in town.

She wants us to be aware that *she is immuno-suppressant*. This means she needs to stay away from undercooked foods, people with colds/viruses, and physical contact with people. Beth is a hugger and toucher, **but for the time being and until otherwise noted, she will have to avoid physical contact with people**. Also, we will provide antiseptic gel at the entrances to the church for people to clean their hands and will provide masks for anyone who may have a cold/virus, to wear while in the church. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO WEAR A MASK IF YOU ARE HEALTHY!** Basically, greet her, but don't get too close if you feel you are contagious. We don't want her to catch something from someone, since she will be more susceptible to infections for a period of time.



Pastor's Ponderings

Guest Columnist

16 Often Unknown Roles of a Pastor

by Ron Edmondson

What is it you have to do when you're not preaching?

Must be nice to only work one day a week.

I'd like to come see you this afternoon. Since it's not Sunday I'm assuming you're free.

Believe it or not, I've heard all of those. Most are simple misunderstandings. Sometimes people are just trying to be funny.

I must admit. It's not always funny — not laugh out loud funny at least, because the jokes have grown stale by now. They are still new to someone I suppose.

But, especially when it's said as an indictment that pastors have it "easy" it can even hurt. That's probably true even more for my pastor friends in smaller churches where they carry the weight of multiple staff positions.

What does a pastor do when not preaching?

That is a valid question. This is not meant to seem as a complaining post, but an informational post. You only know what you know. I don't know what the doctor does when not seeing patients or all the things that teacher does when not in the classroom. Every job has its own responsibilities that are clearly known until you do the job.

The answer for pastors is — lots of things. Lots. A day is seldom the same. The pastor wears many hats. Some of them of which you may not even be aware.

Here are 16 often unknown roles of a pastor:

Counselor.
Career Coach.
Business Advisor.
Custodian.
Arbitrator.
Social worker.
Volunteer coordinator.
Events manager.
CEO.
Fundraiser.
Recruiter.
Trainer.
Scholar.
Writer.
Manager.
Public relations.

There's my list. I'm sure there are others. And, it's a labor of love — certainly of calling — for most pastors I know, but it requires more than preaching.

And, I didn't even mention politician.

Granted, the size of the church will often determine the amount of time spent on anyone of these. But, except in exceptionally larger churches, the pastor wears multiple hats. Certainly more than a Sunday job. And, many pastors, myself for one, spend up to half or two-thirds of our week preparing for Sunday.

It should also be noted (and this is an edited addition resulting from a comment) — the pastor shouldn't do ALL of this. I spend much of my energies helping pastors learn to be better leaders which ultimately means learning to delegate. I believe in the Acts 6 and Jethro models of pastoral leadership.

Thankfully, I serve in a church where most of these tasks are primarily assigned to other staff members for direct oversight. I actually had other pastors in mind when I wrote this more than myself. But, in all of these roles, at some level, in most churches they are under the pastor's purview. If there is a need for or problem with one of them the pastor will be looked to ensure it is addressed. Therefore, whether or not the pastor does all of these personally, there is a level of responsibility. To ignore this and point to an "ideal" job description of a pastor would be naive, in my opinion.

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Let me tell you how glad we are to have you at our worship service today. We hope that you will encounter the presence of the risen Christ. Please feel free to join in any of the activities or events that you see mentioned. Please come back and worship with us again!

Greeters: Jackie Mainous and Patty Cooper

Prelude

Announcements, Welcome, and Introduction : Martha Spurlock

Call to Worship: “This Is the House of the Lord”

*** Opening Hymn:** “Marching to Zion” No. 733

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

(You will be given an opportunity to share joys and prayer concerns. Please raise your hand and wait until an usher comes to you with a microphone.)

Lord’s Prayer as found at No. 895

Children’s Message Bill Cole

The Presentation of God’s Tithe and Our Offerings

Ushers: Spencer Quesenberry, Joe Toney, Ruben Allman, Phil Robbins

*** The Doxology** No. 95

Musical Offering: “America the Beautiful”

The Presentation of God’s Word

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Phil Robbins

Lector: The Word of the Lord for the people of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon : “Are We Rich Enough?”

*** Closing Hymn:** “My Country, Tis of Thee” No. 697

*** Pastoral Benediction :** “God Be With You till We Meet Again”

Postlude:

*** Please stand, as you are able**

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1st at 6:30 pm. Please bring a covered dish. We need volunteers to help set up for the Fellowship Supper. If you are willing to help, please contact the Church Office.

Circle Meetings

Thursday July 2nd
Susanna Wesley Circle—10:00 am
Wesleyan Circle—Noon
Sunday July 19th
Asbury Circle—5:00 pm

AARP

AARP will be meeting on Monday July 6th at 10:00 am. All persons 50 years of age or older are invited to attend.

NOW Team Meeting

The NOW Team will be meeting on Monday July 6th at 6:30 pm.

Choir Practice Canceled

Choir Practice scheduled for Wednesday July 1st has been canceled.

July Meetings and Activities

Sunday June 28, 2015—5:00 pm—UMYF

Wednesday July 1, 2015

— 5:30 pm—Prayer Study
— 6:30 pm—Fellowship Supper

Thursday July 2, 2015

—10:00 am—Susanna Wesley Circle
—Noon—Wesleyan Circle

Monday July 6, 2015

—10:00 am—AARP
— 6:30 pm—NOW Team

UMYF meets Sunday nights at 5:00 pm for a meal and 5:30 pm for meeting.
Choir meets each Wednesday at 7:00 pm

UMYF Meeting

The UYMF will be meeting today June 28th at 5:00 pm.

Kids In Christ

Kids In Christ will not meet in July. The next meeting will be the second Sunday in August.

Fellowship Supper

The next Fellowship Supper is scheduled for Wednesday July



Financial Snapshot

The Administrative Board thinks that it is important that we give you a weekly Financial Snapshot. Here are some figures to ponder:

Funds need for HVAC Units.....\$ 5,800
Current Balance Forward Trinity Maintenance:\$ 5,602
Money Given to General Fund
Budgeted Need to Date\$78,158
Actual Amount Given to Date \$74,676



“I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS.”

EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV

Announcements

Skip Skinner

Ushers

Patty Robbins. Alberta Mitchell. Kathleen Gillespie. Christy smith

Greeters

Kathleen Gillespie, Pat Bowden

Scripture

7-Kim Parsons
12-Skip Skinner
19-Diane Botts
26-Phil Robbins

Van Drivers/Riders

5-Kenny and Martha Spurlock
12-Pat Bowden and Diane Botts
19-Kenny and Martha Spurlock
26-Doug and Lucy Robinson

Children’s Message

5-Holy Communion
12-Christy Smith
19-Nancy Toney
26-Bile Cole

Nursery Workers

5-Paula Barton
12-Cathy Galyean
19-Kenny Spurlock
26-Pat Bowden

Money Counters

5-Bill Cole
12-Chris Higgins and Paul Clark
19-Diane Botts and Christy Smith
26-Kim Parsons and Pat Bowden

For Those with Cancer:

James Horne; Liz Ashley; Robin (Rita Nash’s Daughter); Barbara Polly; Debbie Cooper; Wilma Nein; Phyllis Gilley; Melody (Mellie) Gilley; Doris Berta; Sandra Rich

Facing or Recovering from Surgery or Hospital Stay

Beth Hagan; Becky Clark; Helen Cochran; Mary Warner; Becky Rogers

Non-Specific Prayers for:

Brownie Polly; Dagni Spurlock; Virginia Sigmon; Geneva Allen; Jim Gates; Fred Vanbever; Jennie Shupe; Hope Meade; Matt Carroll; Jim Cooper; Melvin Carter; Kenny Spurlock’s mother; T. R Davidson; George Gose; Bill & Jean Hendrick; Mike Shaffer; Peggy Bates; Marion Kocher; Bob Horne

- Pray for our Pastor and the Leaders of our church.
- Pray for the Leaders of the United Methodist Church.
- Pray for those in the Church in need.

If you know that someone on the prayer list has passed away, please contact the church office.