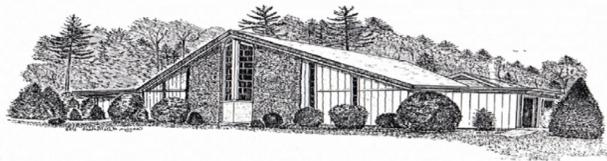


# THE PINECREST



## PRECENTOR

MAY 2019

### *From Our Senior Pastor -*

Dear Pinecrest Family,

On warm spring days as a child, I spend many afternoons playing games with my friends in my parent's backyard. We'd be outside for hours playing hide n' seek, cops n' robbers, capture the flag, dodge the pinecone, etc. Now in the middle of my parent's backyard was a creek (or as a Due West-erner might say a 'crick'). It barely had any water but it was surrounded by mud. In the middle of this creek/crick was a bridge my parents had built where one could safely cross. However, most of our games ended when one of my friends or myself decided to not use the bridge and try to hop across the creek. All too often we would misjudge the distance and end up in mud up to our waist. We could have safely taken the bridge in the middle, but instead we ended up in a huge mess.

This bridge and the mess on both sides remind me of a mistake that sadly too many Christians and churches are making in today's world. We think we have to choose between truth and love. It can only be one at the exclusion of the other. Either we are a church that is about love and we must sacrifice the truth or we are a church about the truth and we must sacrifice love. Churches either tend to focus on loving and being accepting and thus denying or hiding any scripture that might offend someone or being a church that is about the truth and shows a great love for doctrine and very little love for people. But to choose between one or the other is to make a big mistake and end up in a giant mess.

As Christians we are called to take the bridge in the middle that emphasizes both truth and love. A path that does not exclude either a love for God's Word or a love for people. Paul tells us in Ephesians 4:15 to "speak the truth in love". We cannot neglect Scripture, we must study it and embrace what it teaches because it comes to us from God (2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:20-21) but at the same time we cannot neglect love because this is how and why we communicate the truth to others. The church is supposed to be known for it's love (John 13:35).

As a church and as a Christian let us endeavor to keep ourselves clean from the mess into which so many people fall. Let us endeavor to speak the truth in love.

*Rev. Rhett Carson*

### **Intercessory Prayer**

Chuck Evans  
Helen Pearce  
Sara Ellen Carson  
Henry Arnott  
Victims of the Sri Lanka bombings



### *Book of Remembrance*

The following have contributed towards the General Fund or other fund as noted below:

**In Memory of Mr. Alvin Brickley** from Mr. & Mrs. Bob Brogi.

**In Memory of Mr. Dick Shipman** from Mr. & Mrs. Bill Stanley.

**In Memory of Mrs. Betty Simpson** from Mr. & Mrs. Brian Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Stanley, and WOCM.

**In Memory of Mrs. Anna Wilson** from Mr. & Mrs. Bill Stanley.

**In Memory of Mr. Clark Wilson** from Mr. & Mrs. Bill Stanley.

**In Memory of Mr. Mel Zwart** from Mr. & Mrs. Bill Stanley.

### *Thank you*

**Thank you** so much for the calls, cards and letters during the last few weeks. We love and appreciate each and every one of you.

We would also like to let you know that we recently moved into an assisted living community to better serve our needs. Here is our new address: 1705 Skylyn Dr. Apt #51, Spartanburg, SC 29307. (We were able to keep our old phone numbers.)—Rev. Jim and Evalyn Coad Jr.

**To Pinecrest Family,** Thank you for all of your prayers, cards and kind words at the passing of my father.—Mike Pugliese and Family

**Pinecrest Church would like to thank everyone** who came out to help with Beautification on April 6th. The church and grounds looked amazing for our Easter celebration! A very special thank you to Jim Moore and Paul Rector for spearheading the efforts.

**Thank you** to everyone who came out to our Easter morning pancake breakfast! We enjoyed a great time of fun and fellowship, and were able to collect \$341 in donations that will assist our youth this summer. Thank you for investing in the young men and women of our church! - Christian Beamguard

### **1st Wednesday Covered Dish and Presentation**

Please join us on May 1st at 5:30 pm for a bluegrass concert by Appalachian Fire. There will be a sign up sheet in the atrium so you can let us know if you can attend and what you will bring to share.

### **National Day of Prayer**

The Henderson County Ministerial Association is coordinating a community prayer service for our nation at the Old Courthouse on Main Street in downtown Hendersonville at 12:00 pm (noon) on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.



# Pinecrest Calendar & Recurring Events

## Sundays

10:00 am Worship  
 11:15 am \*New Sunday School Time\*

## Weekly Meetings & Events

Monday 4:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
 Tuesday 2:30 pm Sonshine Small Group—  
 2nd and 4th week  
 Wednesday 6:00 pm Evening Worship  
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal  
 Thursday 12:00 pm Sunday Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00 pm Men's Bible Study—  
 1st and 3rd week  
 Saturday 9:00 am Men's Prayer Group

# MAY 2019

| Sun   | Mon   | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   | Fri | Sat  |
|---|---|---|---|---|-----|--|
|   |   |   | 1<br>5:30 pm 1st Wed.<br>Dinner & Program<br>7:00 pm Choir Practice   | 2<br>6:00 pm Men's Bible Study                        | 3   | 4<br>9:00 am Men's Prayer Group  |
| 5<br>10:00 am Worship<br>11:15 am Sunday School<br>12:00 pm Mission Committee Mtg.                            | 6<br>4:00 pm Handbell Practice  | 7   | 8<br>1:15 pm Circle 3—Library<br>2:00 pm Dick Shipman Service—CV<br>6:00 pm Evening Worship<br>7:00 pm Choir Practice | 9<br>7:00 pm Circle 5—Library                         | 10  | 11<br>9:00 am Men's Prayer Group   |
| 12<br>10:00 am Worship<br>11:15 am Sunday School  | 13<br>4:00 pm Handbell Practice   | 14<br>12:30 pm Circle 2—Library<br>2:30 pm Sonshine Group<br>6:30 pm Joint Session/Diaconate Mtg. | 15<br>6:00 pm Evening Worship<br>7:00 pm Choir Practice   | 16<br>3:00 pm CE Meeting<br>6:00 pm Men's Bible Study | 17  | 18<br>9:00 am Men's Prayer Group<br>11:00 am Betty Simpson Service<br>Youth Go-Karting |
| 19<br>9:30 am VBS Planning Meeting<br>10:00 am Worship<br>11:15 am Sunday School<br><b>Precentor Deadline</b> | 20<br>4:00 pm Handbell Practice   | 21<br>1:00 pm Circle 4—CV   | 22<br>6:00 pm Evening Worship<br>7:00 pm Choir Practice   | 23<br>9:00 am Precentor Mailing                       | 24  | 25<br>9:00 am Men's Prayer Group   |
| 26<br>10:00 am Worship<br>11:15 am Sunday School  | 27<br><b>Memorial Day</b><br><b>Church Office Closed</b><br>4:00 pm Handbell Practice | 28<br>2:30 pm Sonshine Group  | 29<br>6:00 pm Evening Worship<br>7:00 pm Choir Practice   | 30  | 31  |  |

### Circle News

Circle 2~ Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 12:30 pm in the church library.

Circle 3~ Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:15 pm in the church library.

Circle 4~ Meets the third Tuesday of the month at 1:00 pm at Carolina Village.

Circle 5~ Meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm in the church library.

If you are interested in joining a circle, please contact one of the circle leaders: Jeanie Bennett, Ruth Anne Gibson, Susan Sanders, or Kathy Carson.

## May Birthdays

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 2 George Danz     | 27 John Sanders    |
| 6 Bryson Isaacs   | 28 Susan Moses     |
| 7 Emma Sherer     | Mary Ann Owens     |
| 11 Bob Heltman    | 30 Patricia Fisher |
| Agnes Jones       |                    |
| 12 Eric Neal      |                    |
| 14 Kathy Groves   |                    |
| 16 Ron Grigsby    |                    |
| 20 Judy Fredrick  |                    |
| Kylee Isaacs      |                    |
| 21 Bill Owens     |                    |
| 23 Heidi Isaacs   |                    |
| 25 Joanne Cambron |                    |
| Mike Rector       |                    |

If your name or family members name is missing and you'd like to have it included in future publications, please call the church office at 828-692-0063.

### Youth Summer Camps

This year, Quest middle school camp will be June 17-22. Horizon high school camp will be June 24-29. Both are held at Bonclarken. Please see Christian for more information!

### Vacation Bible School

Our VBS will be held July 22-26 this year, each morning 9-12. We are in need of many volunteers, including station leaders, teachers, group leaders, and more. Please see Christian if you are interested in helping out with this wonderful ministry!

### VBS Planning Meeting

There will be a Vacation Bible School volunteer meeting on Sunday, May 19th at 9:30 am. We will wrap up in plenty of time for 10:00 am worship. If you are unable to make this meeting, but would like to be involved in VBS, please contact Christian.

### Coffee Time

Between Worship and Sunday School each week, there will be a few minutes to get a cup of coffee and a snack before heading to **Sunday School at 11:15 am**. Volunteers are needed to make coffee and bring in snacks on a rotating basis. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet in the atrium. A schedule will be made and distributed once we have a few volunteers.

### Congratulations Chip Sherer

On Saturday, March 30th, the Erskine Alumni Association presented Chip Sherer with the Distinguished Service

Award. This is the most prestigious award given by the alumni association to recognized outstanding service to church, community, profession, and to Erskine over the span of one's lifetime.

### Quarterly Missions

The Missions Committee has decided to use the prayer box to collect offerings for the quarterly missions project and will place the box at the entrance to the sanctuary. Please consider dropping a few dollars into the box from time to time, particularly the first week of each quarter. This quarter's collection will go toward helping the youth attend summer retreats and mission trip.

### Missions

June will be Missions month. There will be a lot of activities emphasizing Missions. Everyone will have opportunities to support our missions projects at Pinecrest Church.

### Youth Outing—Go-Karts

The youth group will be going to Fun Depot in Asheville for Go-Karting on Saturday, May 18th. Please see Christian for more information or to sign up!

#### Financial Statement as of March 2019

| <u>Contributions</u> | <u>Expenses</u> | <u>Deficit</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>\$28,129</b>      | <b>\$33,567</b> | <b>\$5,438</b> |

#### YTD Financial Statement

| <u>Contributions</u> | <u>Expenses</u>  | <u>Deficit</u>  |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <b>\$85,800</b>      | <b>\$102,802</b> | <b>\$17,002</b> |

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For the Glory of God, Pinecrest Presbyterian Church exists to produce fruit for God's kingdom by rooting people in God's word, growing them in their faith, and helping them branch out with the gospel in their homes, communities, and the world so that all may know that Jesus is Lord.

Come Worship with us:

Sunday Morning Worship Service: 10:00 AM

Sunday School: 11:15 AM

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 6:00 PM