



Dear Friends,

Mealtime in the Bible was a symbol of inclusiveness. Even today, to eat a meal in the Middle East is a sacramental act signifying acceptance on a very deep level. I joke around about Presbyterians loving to eat, but in truth, Table Fellowship is both Biblical and theological. Many important stories occur around the table in the Bible. From the celebration for the return of the Prodigal to the dinner that Jesus ate with Zacchaeus in his home to the promise of the Great Banquet given by the prophet Isaiah, meal time not only means physical nourishment but spiritual and emotional nourishment as well. That is why it is so appropriate that we kick off our Vacation Bible School with our annual Summer BBQ. Don't forget to bring a side or dessert to share. I look forward to being nourished together this Sunday from the coffee hour, through Sunday School and worship to our breaking bread together after church. Before then, please read Luke 11:5-13 to prepare as we continue to learn from the parables together in worship.

Blessings,

Julie

**It's almost time for VBS 2017: Hero Central!**



**When: Sunday, July 23 – Thursday, July 27**

**\*Sunday – VBS will start after the Summer BBQ following worship.**

**Time (Mon-Thurs): 5:30 – 8:00 pm (dinner starts at 5:30 pm in FLC)**

**Children & +Adults of all ages are welcome!**

**Nightly Lessons, Crafts, Music, and Snacks**

**+Adults will be led in discussions and study by the Rev. Julie Schaaf each night starting at 7 pm in the Sanctuary, and at 1:00ish on Sunday.**

### Things to remember

This is our Saturday to work in the Spartanburg Soup Kitchen from 9-1.

### IN OUR PRAYERS

- Alicia Rodgers
- Ernest Agy, friend of Rusty Kirkpatrick
- Family of Scott Keefauver, friends of the Ritzos
- Nominating Committee in their search for ruling Elders



*The Mission of Nazareth Presbyterian Church is to worship and glorify God and to make disciples for Christ*

