



Dear Friends,

As we watch with frightened anticipation for Hurricane Florence to decide what her path will be, I am thankful for the generosity and compassion of the Nazareth family that always responds faithfully to the needs in the community and the world. I also wonder how people who don't have faith are able to navigate stormy waters? Honestly, I just don't get it! This week, my heart has turned consistently to the most frequently offered promise in the Bible, "Do not be afraid, I am with you." I think of Jesus in the boat with the disciples who thought that, just because he was resting, he wasn't watching over them. In this instance, Jesus calmed the storm with his hand. Sometimes, as one of my favorite songs reminds us, "he holds us close and lets the wind and waves go wild". Either way, our God is with us and in control.

It was nice to be away but I look forward to worshipping with you on Sunday. My week just wasn't the same! Please read Mark 8:27-35 to prepare.

Blessings, Julie

Things to remember

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for September 23 to elect the following individuals as Elders for the Class of 2021:

Melanie Campbell, Abby Hatchette, Chuck Holmes, Bill Schall and Cyndy Urquhart.

The Children's Choir will present the musical, "**Down by the Creekbank**", Sunday, **September 23 at 4:00** in the sanctuary. Immediately following, the Fellowship Committee will host the annual **Low Country Shrimp Boil**. All food will be prepared by the committee. This is the last Sunday to sign up to attend so that we can be prepared. Please do so in the Fellowship Hall. The congregation is asked to bring non-perishables for The Carpenter's Table as the price of admission.

If you are interested in volunteering in one of the two nurseries on Sunday mornings, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall. We need help in both the baby room and the toddler room.

Thanks to you all for your generosity. We collected \$1310.00 for PDA for victims of fires in the West.

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the "**Knock Hunger off its Rocker**" event to benefit The Carpenter's Table. See Tommy Campbell for details or go on the TCT Facebook page.

IN OUR PRAYERS

- Lenny and Amelia Senn
- Nancy Segrest
- Irene Powers
- Marigold Wright
- Mary Pergrem's brother-in-law, Billy Stinson
- Lane Barker's mother, Lou Jean Barker
- Family of Maureen Lannamann who passed away Thursday

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