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Power out in church community all week... so far

Hurricane Irene did a number on a wide swath of Virginia last Saturday – including wide spread power outages across most of our area. The church building has been without power all week. The storm tore a few pieces of siding rake boards in the front, and several ceiling tiles in the commons area were soaked and fell down. Other than that, we were spared any trouble, other than missing out on worship last Sunday.

Crews are at work in the area this morning, so we hope power will be restored soon and that we'll be ready for Sunday. Even if it is not, **we WILL meet for worship and adjust where and how we gather.** Missing even one week always has an impact on church contributions, so please make every effort to bring your offerings up to date. Mailing contributions works well, too. – See you Sunday!



Wednesday Night gatherings begin Sept. 7

with dinner served starting at 5:45 pm with a good **hot dogs and hamburgers** meal. Dinner prices are the same as last year: \$5.00 for adults, \$2.50 for children, and no charge for preschoolers. – We hope to have dinners each Wednesday night this fall.



At 6:45 pm -- Children's Music & Missions time, Adult Handbells, and Prayer Time & Bible Study. Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 pm

Watch newsletters and bulletins for details.

Sept. 14 will be a regular quarterly business session, with the menu being soups and salads that night.



Children's Church - Sept 11

Beginning next Sunday, children through grade 5 will have Children's Church beginning at 11:00 AM. Parents are invited to bring their children to the children's wing before they go to worship. There will be a full hour of nursery care, and separate grouping of preschool, lower-elementary, and upper-elementary ages.



Golf Tournament – Oct 3

Support MHBC Youth Ministry and have fun at the same time! Sign up your 4-person team for a Captain's Choice tournament on Oct. 3 at Mill Quarter Golf Course in Powhatan. Start time is 12:30 PM. Wayne Boothe has sign-up sheets:
wtbgolf@comcast.net

Youth Fall Retreat



at Camp Cross Roads

September 30 – October 2

Space is limited, so sign up deadline is today -- Cost is only \$60

See Susan Prather to register



End of Summer Celebration... for all ages!

Next Sunday, Sept. 11 at church, 4:00 PM

There will be karaoke, Wii, and dance board games

Bring snacks to share, too. -- Put it on your calendar!

Hyaets Mission Trip

Our mission team had a good time in Charlotte, NC last weekend. We will share photos and a report next newsletter when those can be gathered.

Sunday – August 28, 2011

(No Sunday School or service due to power outage from storm)

New & Updated Prayer Concerns...

- **Joan Hudson** is in Chippenham Medical Center after a heart procedure
 - **Buddy Carter** in MCV being treated for lung infection
 - **Anna Mae Dickson** is in physical rehab at Lucy Corr, 128
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Sunday ministers

Nursery Care:

Sept 4 – Gina Thompson & helper

Children's Church:

Sept 4 – helpers needed

Ushers: Sept 4 – Brian Nichol, Levis Crump, Chip Hancock,
Macy Hudson, Bill Hall, Sr

Happy Birthday!

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| Sept 4 - Jean Mellon | 10 - Carolyn Ailstock |
| 7 - Maggie Cox | 10 - Barbara Ailstock |
| 8 - Dawn Durvin | 10 - Katie Taylor |
| 9 - Kyle Nichol | |

Quotes for Today

Some men give up their designs when they have almost reached the goal; while others, on the contrary, obtain a victory by exerting, at the last moment, more vigorous efforts than before. - Polybius

**The question should be, “Is it worth trying to do?” – not, “Can it be done?”
- Allard Lowenstein**

From the Pastor

Shall We Whine?

Well, we all know that modern life depends on electronics, but this week we found out how much! No phone, no lights, no internet, email or social media... makes communicating rather difficult. Even cell phone coverage was spotty. What have you been doing without for this week? I am sure you had to improvise a bit if your power was out. Shades of Isabelle! (What is it with Virginia and these rude female storms that start with an “I”?)

As you know, the real culprits for this week’s troubles are *TREES*. We usually love and appreciate their beauty and the comfort of their shade. But heavy limbs and falling oaks do a splendid job of snapping power lines and making a mess... not only of our streets, roads, and yards... but also of our routines and schedules. Darn trees!

Of course, all we have really experienced this week are mild inconveniences. If they could switch places with us, a few million Somalis (and actually a billion other extremely poor people around the globe) would consider our “hardships” to be luxurious heaven! So any complaining on our part would only be spoiled children whining... really. Soon our appliances will power up, cable TV will be restored, the internet will connect us once again, and life will go on.

We praise the Lord for no injuries or serious damages done to the property of any of our church family. But if we have missed hearing of such losses, please let us know right away. An earthquake rattled us a bit... Irene was a bigger mess... but who knows what troubles might come on any particular day? We don’t know, but we move forward in faith and don’t worry about it. All troubles come to an end someday, and God sees us through.

Yours in Him,

Lee