

Upcoming Kid's Activities

Veggie Tales Movie Night
Sunday, June 28, 6:30 pm

Picnic at Wilson Park
Saturday, July 18, Time TBA

Coming soon...
Kids Musical
"Down By the Creek Bank"
Details on rehearsals
and performance will come soon.



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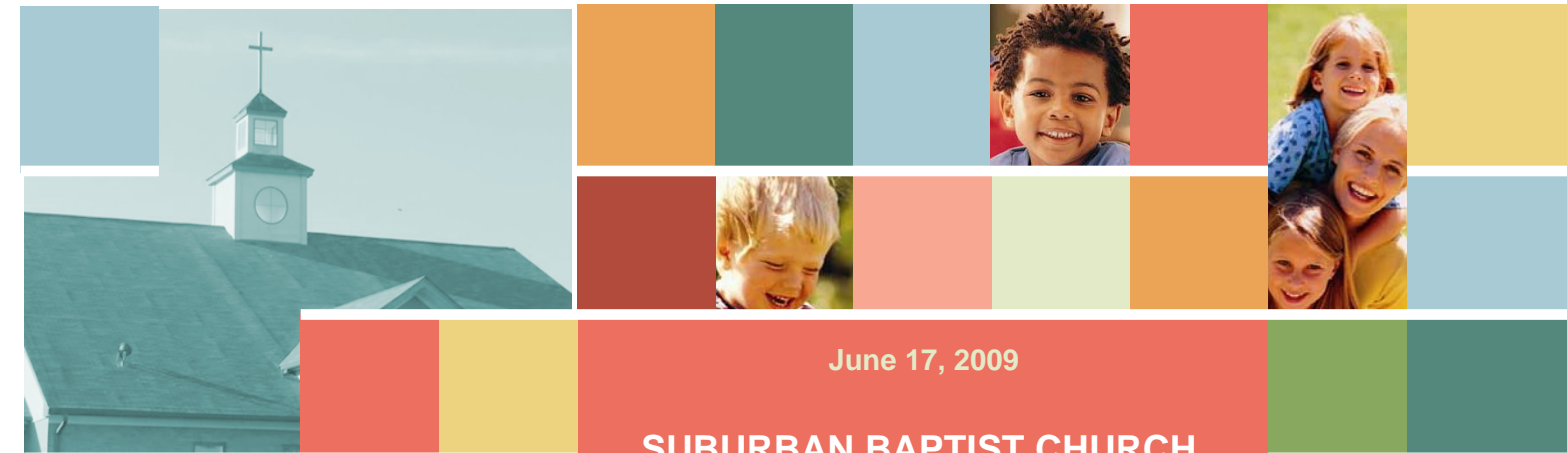
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Service Times:

Sunday
9:00 am—Sunday School
10:15 am—Morning Worship
6:30 pm—Evening Worship

Wednesday
6:30 pm—Bible Study



June 17, 2009

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Thank you for the cards, prayers and phone calls following my recent surgery.

Cindy Wielgus

Dear Suburban Family,
A special thank you to those who warmly and abundantly expressed their sympathy in so many ways since the passing of my father. May God bless you!

Lisa Pitchers

I want to thank everyone for the prayers and cards during my recent illness. The Lord is truly good to us.

Ella Mae & Harold Bellinger

June Birthdays

1	Jane Forshee	Julie Wielgus
2	Norma DaVault	Demona Holtkamp
3	Art LaVelle	Rachel Layton
4	Walter Smith	
8	Keith Rowlett	
12	Evonne Bunker	Nathan Harris
13	Vernon Campbell	Linda White
19	Carol LaVelle	Frank Goss
20	John Hargis	
22	Patsy Watts	Bob Mangoff
23	Keith Layton	Evelynn Harris
25	Ralph Price	Don Doyle
26	Vicki McCauley	Cindy Naughton
	Amy Stanford	
27	Ruth Layton	Michael Gitcho
	Katie Motes	
28	Ernestine Hahn	
30	Marie Zeigler	Jesse Phelps

July Birthdays

2	Boyd McGathey	Virginia Straedey
3	Cheryl Schoolfield	Michelle Barnes
5	Dave Pitchers	Molly Wielgus
	Belle Anderson	Eileen Kuykendall
	Ashtin Diekemper	
6	Evan Willmore	Nathan Ward
9	Kevin Hale	
10	Blanche Grace	Nicole Harris
	David Margrabe	
11	Mary Layton	Iris Gitcho
12	Dan Monroe	Sam Wielgus
13	Dawn Bruder	Lois Henderson
14	Jason Stanley	Emma Evans
15	Man Jin Lim	Randy Hull
16	Joey Becherer	Joel Cionko
19	Jason Maxfield	Sara Dahlgren
20	Marshall Evans	
22	Julie Barnes	
25	Sharon Purkey	Jim Barnes
	Tammy Saggio	
27	Amy Steen	
29	Bonnie McGathey	Bill Tindall
	Bud Parks	
31	Malene Tolbert	Ellie Breese

Pastor Mike's Moments

Summer is the time of year when things seem to slow to a snails pace. I don't know if it is because the temperatures are so hot or because there is no school in session or because summer is the time when many people take vacations. Whatever the reason, summer is the time of year when things slow down. Now don't get me wrong here, slowing down is good because the rate at which many of us live our lives requires us at times to slow down or face exhaustion, but my words for you this summer are to slow down but don't stop!

Every church that I have ever been associated with has always faced the same situation: a decline in summer worship attendance, Bible study

attendance, and financial giving. I wonder why this happens? I realize that summer is the time that many people take vacations but on the other hand summer is the time of year that most people have more time on their hands than at other times of year. So why does church attendance decline so sharply during the summer months? If you were to look at our church's attendance, with the exception of January which is the worst weather month of the year, the months of June & July come in as last in church attendance. We also need to remember to faithfully support the church financially during the summer months. Our monthly expenses continue even throughout the summer.

I want to encourage you with a word from Hebrews 10:25. In that verse the writer encourages us to "not forsake our own assembling together." When you are not present and actively participating in worship, Bible study or financial giving, your church misses you. And even more than that you miss out on the spiritual blessing that comes from singing praise to God and allowing Him to speak to you through His Word.

My prayer for each of you is that you would commit yourselves to a summer of spiritual focus that includes regular prayer, tithing, bible study and worship attendance. Also take advantage of the opportunities for growth

through our Sunday school classes, as well as our Sunday and Wednesday bible study ministry.

The Lord has burdened my heart about the slumber we often times go into during the summer months and now I'm sharing it with you. Will you join me in committing yourself to a summer of spiritual focus?

Blessings as you grow in Him!

Bro. Mike



Hey moms! It's time to allow yourself to be pampered! Come to the Mom2Mom on June 30 at 6:30 pm for a time to pamper yourself with a foot spa! We will also talk about the verse "Celebrate the feet of those who share good news."

Our July meeting will be on July 21 at 6:30 pm and it will be "Share Your Hobby/Interest Night." We want to get to know each other by sharing what we do. It could be a hobby, home business, or other interest that you have. No obligation to each other—just a night to share what we do in our free time!

At Mom2Mom, we have a great time of fun, food and friends and would love to share it with you!



Church-wide Swim Party

Friday, July 17
9:00—11:00 pm

At Paddler's Swim Club