

The Looking Tree

Love lives here, Love flows from here. . .

June 2018

Hello Members and Friends of Head of Christiana,





Pastor Hilary Livingston

The Ministry of the Spirit is Love

The Holy Spirit came down upon those gathered at Pentecost in a mighty rush of wind, flames of fire, and the ability to speak and understand different languages. Though the Spirit's presence is seen in signs and wonders in Scripture, the greatest ministry of the Spirit is love.

In his first letter to the Corinthians, the Apostle Paul addressed a conflict at this church over the expression of spiritual gifts. Some Christians thought certain gifts (like speaking in tongues), were better than others, and other Christians who didn't express these gifts were feeling "second class." To address this controversy, Paul encourages these Christians to strive for the greater gifts. Paul believes the way to do this is through love. In 1 Corinthians 13:1-3, Paul writes:

"If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing."

Paul describes the love given by the Spirit as patient and kind; not envious, boastful or arrogant. It seeks others' wellbeing above its own and rejoices in all that is good and truthful (1 Cor. 13:4-7). Love is the real evidence of the Spirit's work. Other spiritual gifts are important, but if love is not present, they mean nothing.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said, "We must discover the power of love, the redemptive power of love. And when we discover that, we will be able to make of this old world a new world. Love is the only way." Let us walk in this way of love in the Holy Spirit's power!

Blessings,

Hilary

THANK YOU

FAREWELL TO DAVID

After two years of service as our Apprentice Choir Director, David Catalano is leaving HoC to pursue other musical ventures. We greatly appreciate David's warmth, musical giftings, and enthusiasm in leading our choir over the past two years. We will miss David greatly, and we wish him all the best in the next chapter of his career. Thanks, David! Our new Apprentice Choir Director for the coming year will be Zach Doimi.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS kicks off on Sunday, July 8th and runs through Thursday, July 12th from 5:30pm to 8:00pm. Each day begins with a PotLuck supper each evening with classes at 6:00pm. There will be classes for all ages—PreK through Adult—something for everyone! We also need volunteers to help with room set-up, food prep and clean-up, teaching/leading kids' classes, assisting with games and lessons, and being "Crew Leaders." For more details, contact Pastor Hilary via email or phone.

SUMMER PICNIC and HYMN SING @ HoC

Join us for this family-friendly summer event on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>July 15th at 5:00 pm</u>
We'll start with an outdoor potluck picnic (weather permitting), followed by an old-fashioned hymn sing with all your favorites in the sanctuary.
Other area churches are also invited to participate. Bring your family, friends and neighbors to this fun summer event!

SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE at HoC

Sunday School for children, youth and adults will take a break for the summer. Regular classes will resume on Rally Day, September 9th.

The Session, along with most committees/commissions will also be taking a break over the summer and will not meet again until August.

Please check the church calendar for committee/commission meetings scheduled for this summer. If your committee/commission is planning to meet over the summer, or makes changes to its regular meeting schedule, please notify Nancy in the office so the calendar can be updated accordingly. Thanks!



Hygge Trip to Ikea

This winter and spring, several HoC members met on Wednesdays to discuss the Danish concept of "Hygge" over tea and snacks in the pastor's study. For our final group meeting of the spring, we took a field trip to Ikea. We shopped and enjoyed lunch in the café. A great time was had by all!

The group will be taking a break over the summer, but will resume with new topics in the fall. Watch the newsletter and bulletins for more information.







CONCERT UNDER THE TREES

Enjoy Music and Ice Gream Under the Trees

at our FREE concert performed here by the fabulous

NEWARK COMMUNITY BAND

Wednesday, June 27 @ 7:00pm





Please bring a lawn chair or blanket so you can enjoy this great entertainment in comfort.

Ice Cream for sale at Kilby Cream's MOO MOBILE.

Proceeds from our goodwill offering will benefit Warriors Helping Warriors,

which was founded to help veterans and their families "win the war at home by providing emotional support counseling, family support, home repairs, veteran's benefits and healthcare assistance, and various veteran/family bonding events. (www.whwonline.org)



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June Coffee Hours

June 3 — Pot Luck

June 10 — Recognition Sunday hosted by

Christian Education

June 17 — Father's Day celebration hosted by

Care & Fellowship

June 24 — Pot Luck

July 1 — Pot Luck

Would you like to host a coffee hour??

Just speak to Jeanne Hastings (302-368-9416). For the most current information regarding coffee hours, please check the notice posted on both doors to Fellowship Hall. Often people will ask to host a coffee hour after The Looking Tree has published, so changes will be updated on the notices.

C&F NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!

With summer quickly approaching, Care and Fellowship needs your help with summer Coffee Hours. Summer vacations will leave our commission short on members. Even when a Coffee Hour is "Pot Luck," Care and Fellowship sets up and cleans up afterwards.

If you are one of the many who enjoy staying for Coffee Hour, it would be very helpful if you could lend a hand with clean up — help to wash up dishes, take out the trash, check the tablecloths for spills (and maybe even take one home to launder).

Care and Fellowship understands that Sunday Coffee Hours are very important to our church family as they are a time to chat and strengthen friendships. Please consider staying after Coffee Hour for a few minutes to help with clean up. Remember — many hands make light work!





Recognition Sunday

Please join us on Sunday, June 10th when we will be thanking our teachers and youth for their achievements and contributions to HoC.

Youth will be assisting in the service and providing special music.

The Christian Education Commission will be providing snacks for Coffee Hour.

Check out the pictures below...my how time does fly!!!

Aileen & Kate





Abigail







André Sophia Nicole & Charlotte

More Oldies but Goodies!





CLass Time

Hope DINING ROOM

CHoir Practice



KidS IN the CreeK





In the Nursery



Congratulating HoC's 2018 Graduates

Bradley Bruce Combs — Graduated Magna Cum Laude with a B.S. in Computer Science with a concentration on Cyber Security, and a minor in Mathematics from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte College of Computing and Informatics. Following graduation, Bradley will be working as a technical consultant with SAS, a world leader in data analytics software. (Sonia Combs' grandson).

Sean Michael Wolk — Graduated from Avon Grove High School in West Grove, Pennsylvania and plans to attend Millersville College in PA. (Grandson of Rosi White – the last of 8 grandchildren who will be graduating; all the others are either in college or working).

Michael Scott Tipton — Graduated from Pennsylvania State University maintaining a high grade point average throughout his college years where he majored in accounting. He served as President of the Professional Management Association, a student business organization, and as Vice President of Servant Leadership, a group engaged in organizing projects and activities to support projects for the public good and to help those in need. During the summer of 2016, Michael studied at the International Studies Institute in Florence, Italy. He will begin employment with Dow DuPont in Finance/Accounting this July. (Grandson of Kay and John Brook).

Vanessa Marianiello — Graduated from the University of Delaware with an Honors Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. She is a member of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing and a recipient of the Drs. Pia and Galicano Inguito Junior Nursing Student Academic Excellence Award. Vanessa's immediate plans are to prepare for and take the NCLEX (National Council Licensure Examination) in order to become a Registered Nurse. She plans to pursue a career in pediatric intensive care nursing. (Daughter of Lucy and Vince Marianiello).





Sirric Clear de day at 1796























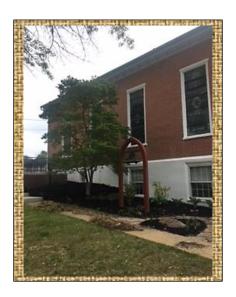


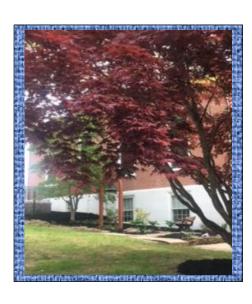












HOC CALENDAR — June Happenings

Sunday June 03 11:00am Scott Burkley, Guest Preacher Friday June 08 12:00pm Hope Dining Room

Sunday June 10 11:00am Recognition Sunday

Teachers and Youth celebrated

Tuesday June 12 LOOKING TREE DEADLINE

Sunday June 17 FATHER'S DAY

Wednesday June 27 11:30am Nifty-Wifty at Wesley's

Wednesday June 27 7:00pm Concert Under the Trees @ HoC

Newark Community Band

PILOXING — TUESDAYS — 7:00PM









JUNE BIRTHDAYS



June	1	Sallie Christian	June	16	Clella Murray
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June	3	Carol Cole	June	19	Sarabeth Gillespie
June	6	Jim Sawyer	June	25	Elisabeth Gallaher
June	7	Jim Herrington	June	25	Al Harper
June	10	Clarence Cox	June	29	Mary Lou Oakes
June	14	John Brook			

