



# Scroll

MAY 2016



## *From the Pastor*

*Rev. Libby Rollins*

There's a lot on our calendar during the month of May that will take place during our Sunday worship hour. There's something almost each week you will not want to miss!

On **Sunday, May 1**, we will be celebrating the sacraments. Since it is the first Sunday of the month, we will, as usual, join as a family of faith around the table to feast on bread and juice. But we will also be celebrating the sacrament of communion, as Jackson Zimmerman will be baptized that day. It will be a great time of worship and celebration.

On **Sunday, May 15**, we will celebrate the arrival of the Holy Spirit by reading the story of Pentecost. We will also be recognizing all in our church family who are graduating this spring. Come and celebrate their accomplishments and wish them well on their next chapters and new adventures.

On **Sunday, May 22**, we will have our end of the year picnic and outdoor worship celebration. This is a few weeks earlier than this event has traditionally been held, in the

hope that we have a nice spring day which is not too hot! We will worship outside under the tent and then gather for a cookout lunch followed by fellowship and games. I know you don't want to miss this annual event.

**Sunday, May 29** will mark the start of our summer worship, which means that there will be no Sunday School classes, and our worship time will be moved to 10:00 a.m. This will continue throughout the summer months and through Labor Day weekend.

Being here with us in worship is always a joy, but this month we have many exciting opportunities for Sunday worship with special things planned. Join in the fun, and bring a friend!

*Libby Rollins*

## Where is God calling YOU to serve?

Our Mission — To be a bridge to Christ through faith and service • Our Vision — When SPC is faithful in accomplishing its mission, people will know that Christ is at work in their lives and follow Him. • We Value — Being accepting, caring, outreaching, Spirit-led, and willing to serve



## Birthdays This Month

- ◆ Pamela Holland (May 2)
- ◆ Cheryl Taylor (May 2)
- ◆ Matt Harrah (May 4)
- ◆ Sid Thomas (May 5)
- ◆ Matt King (May 11)
- ◆ Jerolene Crusenberry (May 22)
- ◆ Skip Irby (May 30)
- ◆ Don White (May 30)
- ◆ Jen Johnson (May 31)



- ◆ Chris & Skip Irby (May 12)
- ◆ Nancy & Wesley King (May 24)

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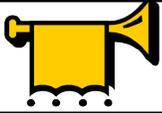
## Please Pray for:

- ◆ Jeanne Banks
- ◆ Herb Hahn
- ◆ Faye Sobel
- ◆ Sid Thomas
- ◆ Pam Askew
- ◆ Mary Edmonds
- ◆ Anne Faszewski
- ◆ Jason Goodloe
- ◆ Gwen Liekefet and her husband
- ◆ Mary Ann Noland
- ◆ Cathy Quate
- ◆ Karen Zekert

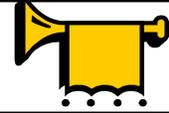
**PRAY FOR OUR**  
  
**MILITARY**

- ◆ Nick Meadors
- ◆ JB Persons
- ◆ Christian Sictor (Jim & Shirley's grandson)
- ◆ Glenn Smith (Betty Chapman's grandson)
- ◆ Greg Vernon (Joyce Jordan's grandson)

**Thank you for your service!**



## News Briefs



Presbyterian Women will meet on Monday, May 9, at 7:30 pm at the church. This is PW birthday month and the birthday offering will be taken at this meeting. **Betty Ann Campbell** will lead the Bible Study which is lesson 9, River Of Life—Hope. **Betty Howard** will be the hostess. Our next meeting will be in September. Hope you will join us on May 9th .



The Diaconate of our church would like to thank everyone who participated in the Night Stay Program by helping to feed the homeless in Suffolk. This year the number of clients increased from last year. Your donations of food, money, and time truly helped feed those clients attending each Tuesday evening, Wednesday morning, and Wednesday's bag lunch for the months of January, February, and March. The churches providing the shelter were very appreciative of the meals we provided. We have just finished our third year of participation, and it has been a success! Thank you for all your support! You have helped those in need!

Also, the Diaconate would like to thank everyone for providing candy for the Easter Egg Hunt! A special thank you is given to **Maxann Morrison** who provided the cute Easter cupcakes for the children! Everyone was very generous and your help made that day very special for the children who attended!

### Administrative Office Hours



Laura Farmer's regular office hours are Wednesdays from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, Thursdays from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm, and Fridays from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. If you would like to contact her directly, please email [office.suffolkpcusa@verizon.net](mailto:office.suffolkpcusa@verizon.net).

### Moved? New Phone Number? Not in the SPC Directory?

We're trying to make sure our newsletter and other SPC mailings get to the right address. And, we want to make sure we have the right information in our church directory.

So, if you have moved or have a new phone number, please contact **Laura Farmer**, Administrative Assistant, at [office.suffolkpcusa@verizon.net](mailto:office.suffolkpcusa@verizon.net) or 539-3213.





### **Sunday, May 22**

9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Outdoor Worship
12:15 a.m.	Picnic & "A New Heaven" Event

Join us on Sunday, May 22, for the SPC End-of-Year Picnic, celebrating the completion of another year of faith and learning together. Sunday School classes will hold final classes, followed by Outdoor Worship under the tent. **The King family** will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers for a shared picnic, and church members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

As part of our celebration, we will be holding another intergenerational faith event, similar to the one held on Rally Day. The theme will be "A New Heaven and a New Earth". Over the next few weeks, be on the lookout for Cub Reporters **Hayden** and **Alexandria**, as they interview the congregation asking, "What is Heaven like to you?" During the faith event, we will hold a WE Family Feud between Angels and Saints and enjoy a skit - with audience participation. We will still have bubbles and balloons for the youngest attendees. It should be a fun time for all!

## April 2016 Compassionate Outreach Report

One Great Hour of Sharing offering was \$404.00.

Food Pantry continues to be stocked by St. Andrew Presbyterian and Suffolk Presbyterian members. Deliveries (54 bags of groceries in April) have been made to the Suffolk Christian Fellowship Ministry.

Scholarship applications have been received.

Suffolk Night Stay has completed the season and will have a meeting April 23 to evaluate the program.

Living Waters:

**Mary Ann Saunders, Skip and Chris Irby**, along with **Nancy Cisco** are preparing to go to Clean Water U in Mississippi. A check for \$4,180 was written from SPC Missions to cover tuition and ground transportation.

The plant sale to benefit Living Waters continues.

A note was sent to Bethany Presbyterian Church thanking them for a \$250.00 gift to Living Waters.

*Nancy King*



## Congratulations Graduates!

*Please join us as we recognize  
graduates on May 15th.*

**Kelsey Hagwood**  
**Alli Johnson**  
**Nick Meadors**  
**Lail Morrison**  
**Jeffrey Super**

## PNC Continues to Need Prayers

As the search for SPC's next pastor continues, the Pastor Nominating Committee needs your prayers more than ever.

We've moved from writing a Ministry Information Form (MIF) to reading Pastor Information Forms (PIFs), although it's still early in the selection process. Our interim pastor, **Libby Rollins**, explained the "alphabet soup" of the search process at our fellowship luncheon on April 24.

From January until mid-March, we filled out the MIF to describe our congregation and our desire for a pastor who can lead us as we enter the next phase of our ministry. The Session approved the form in March and the presbytery's Commission on Ministry okayed it in early April. Then, we entered it into a computer database for potential matches with pastors who are seeking a call.

Now, we are sorting through stacks of PIFs, much like resumes, of potential candidates. While many have interesting PIFs, we are seeking the one that God has in mind for our congregation at this particular time.

Now that we have traded our pens for reading glasses and highlighting markers, please continue to keep your PNC in your prayers.

*Susie Stoughton, PNC chair*

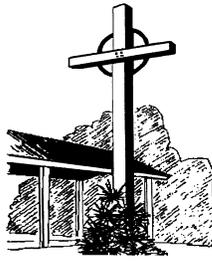
**Franklin Presbyterian Church** is looking for a part-time church administrative assistant to work up to 15 hours per week. A consistent schedule is mandatory due to the variable schedule of the pastor; work on Fridays is required for Sunday bulletin production. Duties include assisting with the creation of the weekly worship bulletin and monthly newsletter, answering the phone and taking messages, maintaining church files, coordinating the schedule of the church sexton, and other traditional office tasks. The successful candidate will possess STRONG computer skills (especially Microsoft Word), excellent grammatical and proofreading skills, professional oral and written communication skills, and a willingness to learn and use new software applications (such as Microsoft Publisher). An ability to operate and troubleshoot standard office equipment is a must. The church administrative assistant should uphold a work standard of excellence with minimal supervision, possessing professional-level initiative, responsibility, reliability, and attention to detail. Contact the Reverend Lou Ventura at [revventura@hotmail.com](mailto:revventura@hotmail.com) for details.



# May 2016

## Suffolk Presbyterian Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>1</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School 11 AM Worship <b>Holy Communion</b></p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>Aerobics AA</p>	<p><i>3</i></p> <p>Bridge</p>	<p><i>4</i></p> <p>Aerobics</p>	<p><i>5</i></p> <p>7:15 PM Choir</p>	<p><i>6</i></p> <p>Care-A-Van</p>	<p><i>7</i></p> <p>AA</p>
<p><i>8</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School 11 AM Worship</p>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>7:30 PM Presbyterian Women</p> <p>Aerobics AA</p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p>Pilot Club Bridge</p>	<p><i>11</i></p> <p>7 PM Diaconate Mtg</p> <p>Aerobics</p>	<p><i>12</i></p> <p>7:15 PM Choir</p>	<p><i>13</i></p> <p>Care-A-Van</p>	<p><i>14</i></p> <p>AA</p>
<p><i>15</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School 11 AM Worship</p>	<p><i>16</i></p> <p>Aerobics AA</p>	<p><i>17</i></p> <p>Bridge</p>	<p><i>18</i></p> <p>7 PM Session Mtg</p> <p>Aerobics</p>	<p><i>19</i></p> <p>7:15 PM Choir</p>	<p><i>20</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Newsletter DEADLINE</b></p> <p>Care-A-Van</p>	<p><i>21</i></p> <p>AA</p>
<p><i>22</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School 11 AM Outdoor Worship 12:15 PM Picnic &amp; "A New Heaven" Event</p>	<p><i>23</i></p> <p>Aerobics AA</p>	<p><i>24</i></p> <p>Bridge</p>	<p><i>25</i></p> <p>Aerobics</p>	<p><i>26</i></p> <p>7:15 PM Choir</p>	<p><i>27</i></p> <p>Care-A-Van</p>	<p><i>28</i></p> <p>AA</p>
<p><i>29</i></p> <p>10 AM Worship</p>	<p><i>30</i></p> <p><b>Memorial Day</b></p> <p>Aerobics AA</p>	<p><i>31</i></p> <p>Bridge</p>				



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**SUMMER  
WORSHIP**  
Beginning May 29  
10 AM

## Upcoming Events:

May 9—Presbyterian Women  
May 11—Diaconate Meeting  
May 18—Session Meeting  
May 22—Picnic & “A New Heaven” Event



**Summer worship schedule begins  
on May 29 at 10 am.**



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