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# Currents

Letting God's currents carry us through Life

*The Mission of the bridge Presbyterian Church is to help active adults connect with God's people, discover God's presence, learn God's promises, and embrace their unique God-given purpose for their lives.*

## **Worship Together Weekly**

We welcome Rev. Bill Young for the Summer

Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>

*Is Discipleship All About Rejections and Persecution*

**10:00 am – Worship Service**

livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube

**Links to all videos posted by the bridge on YouTube:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@thebridgepresbyterianchurc4433/streams>

# Information for the Summer

**Week of 6/28- 7/4**

**Elder on Call**

**Gary Westphal – 513-532-9783**

You can reach Rev. Young  
at [revbillyoung@yahoo.com](mailto:revbillyoung@yahoo.com) or 910-876-2289

## Office Hours for Rev. Young

He will have office hours on Wednesdays from 9:00 – 12:00

You can contact Rev. Young or contact Wanda to set up an appointment.

## Church office Hours will be normal hours

Mon – Thursday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am to Noon

910-769-4951 or thebridgepres@gmail.com

**Please remember to reach out to the Elder on Call, Rev  
Young or Wanda. Please do not call, text or email Dr.**

**Doug.**

## Bridging the Gap Task Force Update

After our May 31 service, the Bridging the Gap Task Force provided an update on their progress. The following is a synopsis of their presentation for those unable to attend on the 31st.

This is a truly exciting and prayer-filled time for The Bridge Presbyterian Church. The moment we have all been patiently waiting for is drawing near—a milestone shaped by a four-year, Christ-led journey.


The Bridging the Gap Task Force has been diligently working for the past four years to develop a renovation and expansion strategy for our church building. This hardworking and devoted team has faithfully partnered with architects, site engineers, and county officials to create a plan that meets our congregation's growing needs while remaining mindful of construction costs.

Upon receiving the final cost estimates, the Task Force will develop a funding strategy that reflects both wisdom and care, acknowledging our congregation's concerns about the overall cost and how we move forward together. The Task Force does not anticipate a formal, congregation-wide capital campaign to achieve our goal. Instead, it will invite those who are able to give above and beyond their current and future support of the operating budget, while reminding us of something greater: the opportunity before us to continue growing God's Kingdom here in Leland.

With prayerful anticipation, the Task Force plans to submit its final recommendation to the Session this fall, with a presentation to the congregation shortly thereafter. Please know that nothing will move forward unless the congregation approves it.

Please see the following slide, which outlines the remaining milestones and the projected timeline.

<b>Next Steps for Bridging The Gap Task Force</b>	
<b>JULY</b>	- Receive Construction Drawings .
<b>JULY/AUG</b>	- Receive Site Drawings to be Submitted to County for Technical Review.
<b>JULY/AUG</b>	- Start Bid Process to Establish Project Cost
<b>AUG/SEPT</b>	- Finalize Funding Strategy.
<b>FALL 26</b>	- Present Construction and Site Renderings, Cost, and Financing Strategy to Session and Congregation for Approval
<b>FALL 26</b>	- Request Grant(s) and Funding help from Presbytery



# Find Purpose through Service

Sunday, June 28, 2026

**Coffee Servers** - 10:00 – Laura and Kathy W.

**Greeters/Ushers** - 10:00 – Beals

**Liturgists**

10:00 – Louise R

**Communion – July 5<sup>th</sup>**

Kathy W. , Patti P., Charlie R. and Gary L.

**Are you ready to be Connected by Serving?**

\*Help with Coffee \* Greet People \* Usher\*

Let Wanda in the office know and she will get you connected.

## Give Gratefully

	6/21/26		
Total Weekly Giving	\$2,529	10:00 am Service	89
Pledge Fulfillment			
		Attendance (4 wk avg)	98

# Pray Daily

PRAYER LIST June 24, 2026

Please remember that this prayer list can also be seen on the Bridge Website within Currents. Avoid including private information in your requests unless you plan it to be public knowledge.

## Health and Healing

- Prayers for George Robertson recovering from a stroke. George has made great headway, but prayers are needed for his ability to breathe properly.
- Marilyn Vernon: Currently at Duke hospital having tests. Prayers for all positive results.
- Lynn Hale: For continued good news.
- For Billy and Sheila Davis after the sudden death of his brother Gene
- John Larkin on his health journey.
- For Debby Rosamilia who had sciatic surgery on June 22
- For Susan Stanewick's neighbor Barb, trying to find the cause of unidentified illness.
- For Sandy Barrett, who is in the hospital with a collapsed lung.
- Prayers for a young couple, Savannah and Brent Bachman who are struggling with fertility issues.
- Prayers for a young mother facing Breast cancer.
- Prayers for Joan, sister-in-law of Anne Dutra in rehab from stroke
- Prayers for the Dutra's daughter Amy who needed surgery after breaking her leg.
- Prayers of gratitude for the successful surgery of Mike Tydings.
- Prayers for the family of our own Sweet Tinkerbell. Margaret passed last week at the age of 97.

*We live on a planet where trees whisper warnings to one another through mycelial networks. Where octopuses dream, and whales sing, calling each other by name. Where elephants mourn their loss, standing in silent grief over the bones of their kin. Where bees dance on the way to the flowers, and crows remember faces, never forgetting a slight. Where ants build vast metropolises, cats purr at the exact frequency of healing and the forest's first breath after a fire is a bloom of flowers. Beauty and wonder are everywhere. Life is more than we can imagine, and dream. Walk softly upon this earth offering all compassion and love*

To make a prayer request, contact Elder Mary Campbell at [carlislecampbell@gmail.com](mailto:carlislecampbell@gmail.com) or (910)269- 9696 text or phone. There are also yellow request cards available in the church hallway across from the coffee bar. You can also send a request through our website. Prayer requests remain in Currents for two weeks unless an extension is requested.

# ***Find Meaningful Relationships in Small Groups***



**Grab your drinks! We got the snacks, so come and join us on Wednesdays, at 1:30PM for the viewing and discussion of THE CHOSEN, a popular TV series based on the Bible.**

We will be viewing the first season of the 8-episode series.

Prior to each viewing you will receive some information on that week's episode via an email. So, you will need to sign up at the table in the hallway so we can send the email to you.

We hope you will print the email out and bring it along to use for discussion – and bring your Bible. No other materials are necessary.

If you would like to do supplemental study "What Does It Mean to be Chosen?" by Amanda Jenkins, Dallas Jenkins and Doug Huffman is an excellent resource that has much helpful information.

This study is a wonderful way to see unique portrayals of key figures who were living during the time of Jesus.

**Invite a friend to join you at the movies for a few weeks.**

Remember, if you miss a week or two, it is no problem because you can view these 8 episodes on YouTube, Prime or online.

# Find Purpose through Service



## June Mission Partners Brunswick Family Assistance Christmas in July

Eligible children in kindergarten - 8th grade will receive a bookbag with the necessary school supplies for their grade, an outfit, and a new pair of shoes.

If you would like to sponsor a child or children, either individually or with a small group, please email or call Wanda at [thebridgepres@gmail.com](mailto:thebridgepres@gmail.com) or 910-769-4951. As soon as the forms are available, she will get one to you.

Once we have the form you will receive your child or children's needs and sizes.

The book bags, clothes and shoes will be needed by the first of August. If you would like to make a cash donation, please put BFA in the menu or go online to BFA.

Thank you for your participation!



# Find Purpose through Service



THE BLUEFIELDS  
MEMORY CARE



Our next Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, June 25, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Activities Room.

If you would like to join the fun in helping our friends, please arrive by 1:45 and wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one.

Any questions please email

Patti Pirher at

[ppirher@gmail.com](mailto:ppirher@gmail.com)

Our next Worship Service at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, July 2nd at 1:30p.m.** in the Activities Room. Volunteers are needed to help the residents with songbooks, purchase/serve cookies, sing along, and enjoy worshipping God with our Bluefields friends.

If you would like to join us in this ministry, please wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one, and arrive by 1:20p.m. For more information or if you are bringing cookies for the residents, contact Susan Stanewick at [ssanewick@gmail.com](mailto:ssanewick@gmail.com)



# Practice a Christ-Centered Active Lifestyle

## Holden Beach Music Concert

Our newly trained dancers will meet at Holden Beach's new stage for a concert of Beach Music, where we will have an opportunity to get up and "cut the rug" with the rest of the concert-goers!

**July 12, 2026**

**6:00 PM**

**More details to follow!**



### the bridge Holiday Event



The Christian Hospitality and Activities Team is looking into the possibility of hosting an afternoon and evening of entertainment, food, fellowship, and a hayride through one of the most SPECTACULAR HOLIDAY LIGHT SHOWS around!



Every year, Mike's Farm is a Sell-Out event in our area! Due to it's huge popularity, tickets sell out super-fast! Don't miss your opportunity to join in the Holiday fun with your Church Family! I will have pricing for the event sometime in July, and tickets go on Sale August 1! BOLO for Updates!



# *TIME TO ORDER BRIDGE T-SHIRTS*

Cost will be **\$17** for Small, Medium, Large, or XL, and **\$19** for a 2x-3x.

Long sleeve shirts will be available for **\$24**.

All will be in our “Tahiti Blue” color with logo.

White V-Neck (ladies) and white golf shirts are available if we have more than 5 requests. These will be embroidered on the front. V-neck should be \$20 (based on how many ordered), and the golf shirts will be individually priced, based on the quality of shirt you select.

If you indicate you want a golf shirt, you will be contacted directly with a selection of styles and fabrics from which to choose.

**Please sign up (form is in the Hall), before July 6<sup>th</sup>**

No money is required until you pick up your shirt!



# Let's Go on a Christ Cruise!!!

Bridge Family, as the Christian Hospitality and Activities Elder, I'm always on the lookout for FUN things we can do together that celebrate our Lord and Savior...and what better way to combine our Summer Vibes, our Coastal Riches, AND Jesus?

**A Christ Cruise fills the bill!**

I'm going to place a sign-up sheet in the hallway, with Sunday dates when we might want to go as a group. When (if) we get sufficient interest, I'll schedule this and let folks know what date (s) we're planning to go.

## Potential Dates are:

- July 5
- July 19
- August 2
- August 16
- August 30
- Sept 13
- Sept 27
- Oct 11
- Oct 25



**Christ Cruise**

**Island Cruises**

**DATES FOR 2026**

- April 12, 26
- May 10, 24
- June 7, 21
- July 5, 19
- August 2, 16, 30
- September 13, 27
- October 11, 25

**ABOUT CHRIST CRUISE**

Christ Cruise is a FREE cruise offered every other Sunday April - October to bring people together in worship. During our time we take in the beautiful sights, fellowship, praise, and worship. Boarding begins at 2:45pm and we return at 5:00pm. Come join us at 100 Carl Winner Ave., Carolina Beach, NC, 28428. We hope to see you onboard!

**WHAT TO BRING**

- Sunglasses and Sunscreen
- Any food that you would like
- Cash or Card for the non-alcohol bar
- Family & Friends!

**CALL FOR INFO**

CALL 910-232-3272

# Celebrate Life's Milestones

## June

### Birthdays

Kim Ferris	12
Peggy Fulton	13
Bettye Weihs	16
Lang ( Langston) Spell	20
Joyce Rodman	21
Romie Holmes	23
Steve Skerlick	24
Tony Honeycutt	27
Mary Campbell	28

### Anniversaries

Billy and Sheila Davis	June 10th
Anne and Jim Graham	June 16th
Joyce Rodman	June 20th
Sharon Stengel	June 23rd
Gary and Kathy Westphal	June 24th
Gary and Lynne Lewis	June 29th

## Upcoming Happenings

### June

25th - Bluefield Craft - 2:00

The Chosen - Movie and small group discussion – every Wednesday at 1:30

### July

2nd - Bluefield Worship - 1:30

3rd - New Hope Mobile Clinic

3rd - **OFFICE CLOSED for 4th**

8th - Session - 3:00

12th - Concert at Holden Beach - 6:00

23rd - Bluefield Craft - 2:00