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# CHERRYLOGUE

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## What is your legacy?

What is your Legacy?

Who will benefit from your having lived?

What will you leave behind as your gift to those who have been important to your life?

These are the questions we have to ask ourselves when planning for the future – or more poignantly, when planning for the end. When your life ends, who/what will continue on and continue to thrive because you remembered them in your planning?

Over 37 of our members have already chosen to remember Cherry Log Christian Church in their planning. They have indicated in their Wills that a portion of there “legacy” be contributed to the church. The Legacy Partners members be-

lieve so strongly in the mission of the church, its community outreach, and its unwavering love and support of its members, and they want the work of the church to continue after they are gone.



LEGACY PARTNERS  
FOUNDATION

The Legacy Partners Foundation of Cherry Log Christian Church invites you to learn more about gifts you can plan now so that the church continues its ministry in the future. Tax deducti-

ble contributions, charitable annuities, securities and cash gifts are just a few of the estate planning options you can consider. Rev. Randy Johnson at the Christian Church Foundation will gladly discuss these and other planned giving opportunities with you. (800-668-8016 or 317-713-2437)

The weekend of May 16 and 17 Rev. Randy Johnson will be at Cherry Log Christian Church to meet with those interested in more information. You can make an appointment with Randy on Saturday or Sunday by calling 800 668-8016 or 317-713-2437. Become a Legacy Partners member. Join us as we build a firm foundation for the future of our church and our community.

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## HELP NEEDED FOR VBS CRAFTS

CLCC Vacation Bible School for K-5<sup>th</sup> grade "AROUND THE WORLD" Theme this year will be held at Tower Road. CLCC Children along with the Guatemalan Community on the hill will enjoy Music, Recreation, Crafts, Puppetry/Theater, and other Special Offerings. Sign Up your Child/Grandchild soon (forms coming in the mail and in Sunday School rooms)! Mark your Calendars Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, and Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Volunteer sign ups have begun, please check the VBS sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall or contact Georgia 407-948-3025 [Georgia1267@hotmail.com](mailto:Georgia1267@hotmail.com).

Next FYSH (Youth Group 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade) Meets 1st Sunday this month on May 3rd following the 10:55am Worship Service. Lunch and Fun with Teri Slemmons. See you there!

## Trisha Senterfitt to Speak to Disciples Women

The Disciples Women look forward to having Dr. Trisha Senterfitt as our May guest speaker. Trisha is one of our congregation's several female ordained ministers and is past director of the Craddock Center. She'll conclude our series on Women of the Bible. If you've missed some of our other programs, it's not too late; we know you'll enjoy Trisha! The meeting will be held on Saturday, May 16 at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall and all women are welcome.

## CHERRY LOG CHRISTIAN CHURCH TURNS

### 18 YEARS OLD THIS YEAR!

Cherry Log will celebrate its 18th birthday as a church on June 7th. Like any 18 year old, our church is sometime rebellious, sometimes exuberant. The church has the passion of youth and the wonderment and excitement of what lies ahead. But our church is also beginning to learn what is required of a responsible adult in our community. Come help us celebrate this important birthday in the life of our church.

Homecoming will be after the 10:55 AM service in the fellowship hall. Bring your best dish and join us for this celebration. We will have a slide show of activities of the church over the past year and we will take this opportunity to tour the new pavilion and park, labyrinth, and Garden for Others. See you there.

Thank you, The History Committee



**Coming Home  
June 7, 2015**

# FROM MY HEART....

## TO YOUR HEART

As true with many tragedies and traumas, I find I cannot stop reading the reports from Nepal about the 7.8 earthquake and the after shocks. The death toll mounts as well as the numbers who are injured. Those who escaped physical injuries are dealing with the emotional injuries – fearing the shocks as well as camping in the open air because of fear of buildings continuing to be shaken and collapsing.

In the early morning hours on Monday I was reading reports online. A group of reporters was already in Nepal studying the potential of a major quake in that country right before this last earthquake. One of the seasoned reporters said that as the earth shook under him, it felt as if the mountain was a mighty wave in the ocean. Then later as they were walking down the mountain one of the after shocks catapulted him forward, almost making him lose his balance.

In the play *Green Pastures*, in the middle of a storm one of the characters says, “Everything nailed down is coming loose.” Everything that we hold on to and hope to be nailed down is coming loose. I know we do not like to think this way. We want to throw thoughts like this out of our conscious minds. But as people of faith we cannot.

R. Buckminster Fuller wrote that we have learned that the obvious is less obvious. This is especially true as we discover and learn more about the universe. For example, there are no solids in the universe. There is not even a suggestion of solid. There are no absolute continuums. There are no surfaces. There are no straight lines.

### **So, on what can we count?**

Is that not the question! It might be tempting to study more so we can answer the questions of life and life’s meaning and determine on what we can count. But it is not intellectual conclusions that will give us solace. It is a faith conclusion that will give us “rest” for our souls.

In the church and through the church we have opportunities for a deeper connection with God, this God who is the stability under and through all that is not straight, not continuous, and not solid. Our stability is God, the love of God, the steadfastness of God, and the grace and mercy of God. The common theme: of God.

We are travelers on this way of life and we look for help on our journey. From where will we find our help? The Psalmist asked the very same question as pilgrims made their annual trip on the treacherous trip to Jerusalem.

I lift up my eyes to the hills –  
 From where will my help come?  
 My help comes from the Lord,  
 Who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 121:1, 2)

# Voices OF CHERRY LOG

**“A friend is one of the nicest things you can have, and one of the best things you can be.”**

**~Douglas Pagels**



## **Donna Lehr**

Born and raised in the Mesabi Range, MN; after graduation studied secretarial skills, accounting; employed by FBI, Washington, DC; worked for lobbyists; store detective (met fellow detective, Dan); Atlanta 1980 (25 years); marketing art and engineering supplies; real estate from 1989; Great Rugs in Blue Ridge; currently marketing for Skyline Pest Solutions.

Serious artist, oils and water colors; pottery; both avid trout fishers, especially in Montana. Driving the mountains in Miata convertible, found CLCC in the pavilion; Fred renewed their vows for 20th anniversary.

CLCC: EVERYBODY welcome; “wonderful Bible teachers, and set my world upside down by allowing me to question!”; feels like family.



## **Cheer Shepard**

Charles (Cheer) Shepard is an Atlanta native and UGA graduate. While teaching in Tallulah Falls, he met Mary Beth and despite the fact that his car broke down on their first date, they married and now have three sons. A former computer programmer, he has been with AT&T since 1980.

While living in Atlanta, Cheer and Mary Beth dreamed of returning to the mountains, and finally did so in 2001. It wasn't long before they found CLCC through several friends who were already members. Cheer found the open, welcoming atmosphere of CLCC to be a great fit so he has stayed.

In his spare time, Cheer enjoys spending time doing anything outdoors, traveling, history, legal dramas and biographies.



## **Jane Kimzey**

Jane Kimzey grew up in a military family and lived in a variety of places before settling in Georgia. She is a UGA graduate and former school teacher who also worked in non-profit with both The American Red Cross and March of Dimes.

Jane, husband Ham and son Benjamin (now age 24) moved to the mountains in 2005 after being part-time residents and attended CLCC after hearing many wonderful things about it from Tommy and Penny Sullivan. Traveling, working with Feed Fannin and the Food Pantry, observing wildflowers and birdwatching, are just some of the ways in which Jane enjoys herself.

After moving to the mountains, Jane saw a write-up in the local paper regarding someone she had heard so much about: Dr. Fred Craddock. She and Ham loved his preaching so much that they began attending CLCC regularly, joining soon thereafter.

## **Betty Gardin**

Born in red hills of TN; graduated Etowah High School (lettered 4 years in basketball); married Airman, Frank; Marietta, GA 2 years, Twin girls born in Alaska; son in TX; then RN and BSc Cleveland State; Atlanta and Cobb Hospital for most of nursing career

A farmer's daughter, passionate about gardening, food preservation; now container gardening; “feel close to Daddy and God when I dig in the dirt”; 7 grandchildren and 2 greats

CLCC: First time to CLCC (on the Hill), “I never felt so genuinely welcome in my life”; loves the philosophy “we turn away anyone Jesus would turn away”; “everybody feels like your brothers and sisters”



# Musical Offerings for May

May is a special month in this year's liturgical calendar because there are a number of High Holy days. We will continue to celebrate the season of Easter for two weeks and then the following two Sunday's we will celebrate Ascension Sunday and then Pentecost on the 24th. Ascension Day is the Christian celebration of Jesus rising into Heaven after He had spent forty days on Earth after the Resurrection. Ascension Day actually falls on the Thursday forty days after Easter but is generally celebrated the following Sunday. The next Sunday is Pentecost. Pentecost, also known as "the birthday of the Church" marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles.

Hope to see you in church! Richard Lumpkin

May 3/2015 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Anthem - Praise to the Lord C. Berry

Hymns - Gather Us In, Come and Find the Quiet Center, Come Share the Lord, Crown Him With Many Crowns, He Is Lord

May 10/2015 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Anthem - Praise the Lord S. W. Rogers

Hymns - Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, Jesus Loves Me, Come Share the Lord, O How I Love Jesus, He Is Lord

May 17 Ascension Sunday

Anthem - Simple Gifts Appalachian Melody Prelude - Simple Gifts Handbells

Music During Communion - Abide With Me Handbells with The Men's Chorale

Hymns - Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song, Come Share the Lord, Thine Is the Glory, He Is Lord

May 24/2015 Pentecost Sunday

Anthem - Spirit Divine Arr. S. W. Cowan

Prelude - Breathe On Me Breath of God Arr. T. Fettke

Hymns - Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow, Sing Hallelujah, Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying, Surely the Presence, Spirit of the Living God, Sweet, Sweet Spirit

May 31/2015

Anthem - God So Loved the World J. Stainer

Hymns - Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, Sing Hallelujah, Of the Father's Love Begotten, In Memory of the Savior's Love, What Wondrous Love Is This, Christ We Do All Adore Thee T. DuBoise

## The Sounds of Celebrate Early

Join us in worship as we celebrate the season of Easter. On the following Sundays, we'll have special music:

May 3 the drum ensemble

May 10 Violinist Grace Pleasant

The Easter season ends with Pentecost on May 24 and we'll worship with the sounds of different nations and languages.

Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent"

Victor Hugo

## Paint Volunteers Needed



Can you use a paint brush? How about a paint roller? If so we could use you! On May 18th and 19th we need 10 to 12 volunteers to paint the adult classrooms and education wing hallway. CLCC will provide everything needed for the project.

I know you are wondering about how we are going to fund such a project. When the education wing was flooded, our insurance company gave us funds to paint. We got bids, but they were way more than we received. In return, it was put on the back burner.

As I was setting up tables and chairs on Monday I thought..... Lets get these rooms painted. Well, since I can't pull off such a big task alone, I thought I would ask for your help.

We are flexible with times. To sign up, call the church office 706-632-1048 or shoot me an email [clcc@tds.net](mailto:clcc@tds.net).

Thanks in advance for your help on this project, Malinda

## Day of Service at CLCC

Come join us for a day of service. Bring your work gloves, clippers, rags, rakes, and pails and be ready to give your time to the many tasks that we as a church need to do. We will be treated to lunch by Roxanne and Darlene so plan to stay all day.

Here is our short list so far:

### Cherry Log Christian Church

### Day of Service

Saturday, May 9, 2015



1. Clothes Closet- clean rooms and sort clothes. A full list will be in the little white house.
2. Build 4 raised gardens (all materials will already be onsite).
3. Prepare orka seeds for planting by soaking in ice trays – this is a sit-down job.
4. Trim bushes around church – bring your battery powered hedge clippers
5. Spread mulch – bring your wheel barrows
6. Spread river rock up close to the church foundation – bring your wheel barrows
7. Weeds flower beds around church
8. Weed Weir Pavilion down by the labyrinth
9. Weed children's playground
10. Finish putting in the door stops in the building.
11. Organize Sam Starr Trailer and get it ready to help neighbor in need.
12. Clean limbs and other debris on Little White House property
13. And much much more....

# UPDATE: GARDEN FOR OTHERS POTATOES ARE IN!

Well, it is spring and with the warmer weather we are getting close to planting our garden for others. We planted our seed potatoes in 4 rows with the help of local Ernest Watkins. Thank you Steve and Julie Pugh, Sherry Brown, Bill and Wendy Cox, and Mike Kennedy and his daughter Joelle and grandson Noah for helping. Right after Mother's Day we will be planting straight-neck squash and then later when it warms up we will plant okra. We are also planning to add 4 more raised gardens.



Raised Garden 1: Mike Kennedy has taken

Raised Garden 2: Sharon Meek and Marsha Kipling have taken

Raised Garden 3: Jane and Ham Kimzey have taken

Raised Garden 4: Sharon Meek and Marsha Kipling have taken

Raised Garden 5: Available

Raised Garden 6: Available

Raised Garden 7: Available

Raised Garden 8: Available

If you have a “need to dig in the dirt” and want to help our community food banks, then have I got a deal for you. We will need help with the squash and okra and planting the raised gardens, as well as tilling the big garden to keep the weeds down. If these things sound like they are right up your alley, please contact Sharon Meek 404-217-2029 or email me at [slmeek@ellijay.com](mailto:slmeek@ellijay.com).

## DONATE FOOD TO THE GILMER AND FEED FANNIN FOOD PANTRIES

Our church has been providing food for both food pantries since the beginning of the church. This is just a reminder that a grocery cart is in the Fellowship Hall waiting for your donations.

Next time you come to church bring some cans of food to put in the basket.

Both Pantries prefer items that are like a “meal in a can” such as:

Canned Meat

Canned Fruits and Vegetables

Boxed Dinners



Please do not bring expired food. The Pantries cannot use expired food.

Each Pantry takes a month:

May – Feed Fannin Food Pantry

June – Gilmer Community Food Pantry

July – Feed Fannin Food Pantry

August – Gilmer Community Food Pantry

September – Feed Fannin Food Pantry

October – Gilmer Community Food Pantry

November – Feed Fannin Food Pantry

December – Gilmer Community Food Pantry

# CLCC HEALTH MINISTRY SURVEY

The CLCC Health Ministry committee is doing a survey to determine how best to serve the congregation and to find out what issues are of important. Please take this health survey that has four purposes:

- a) Identify the health needs and interests of members.
- b) Introduce new ideas about health and wholeness.
- c) Discern the church's present health ministries.
- d) Discover resources for any additional health ministry actions your congregation may

consider.

The term "health" is used here in its broadest sense to describe the physical, emotional, spiritual, and social well-being of a person or institution. "Health care" here means all the ways we promote and develop good health. "Medical care" refers to the ways we treat illness.

Please try to complete this survey by May 5, 2015. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JYNTYNN>

Thank you,  
Health Ministries Committee



## 10:55 SERVICE FELLOWSHIP SNACKS

Every Sunday after second service, we have snacks during a time of fellowship. It is time again to sign up to share snacks with your church family. Each date needs 2 people to set up and clean up after the snack. If you would like to help please contact Sharon Meek either by email at [slmeek@ellijay.com](mailto:slmeek@ellijay.com) or call her at 404-217-2029. Thanks for your help!

Suggested Snacks: Please try to only do Finger Foods

1 Salty Snack: Example - pretzels, chips, crackers, nuts, popcorn (using the popper in the kitchen)

1 Sweet Snack: Example – cookies, grapes, strawberries

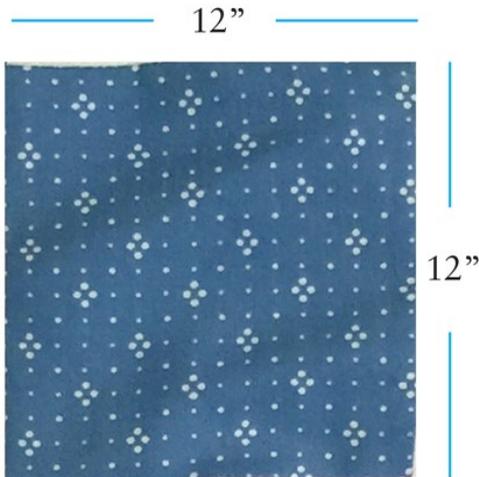
Drinks: 1 Gallon of Sweet Tea, 1 Gallon of Un-sweet Tea, and 1 Gallon of Juice. Coffee made at church.

Date	Person 1	Person 2
May 3	Jane Carwell	Lucie Coffie
May 10	Jackie Lumpkin	Judy Barrett
May 17	Jason Casel/Zandra Benton	Bev Cranston
May 24		
May 31		
June 7	History Committee	Homecoming
June 14		
June 21		
June 28		
July 5		
July 12		
July 19		
July 26		

## Call for “symbolic” fabric pieces!

Be part of our new church banners— each of the two banners will include a fabric square from each CLCC member. Something like a section of clothing of someone you love, or a swatch of fabric that symbolizes what Cherry Log Christian Church means to you.

## Generosity Quilts



Please bring a 12” square of fabric any Sunday in May. You can leave it in fellowship hall—look for the “Quilt Progress” poster.

The fabric color can be as bright as you like, and the fabric pattern can be as bold as you like.

The fabric should be a light cotton, what’s called “quilter’s cotton”— we’ll have fabric examples on the Progress poster to give an idea of the best fabric weight. If you have questions, see Jane Carwell or one of our member quilters.



*Sample quilt: our thanks to Jane Carwell for creating this sample of what the quilt-banners will look like. Just like the banners we have now, each quilt will be 90” wide by 144” high. So there’ll be room for 160 nine-inch Member-Squares between the two banners (we’ll need the extra fabric on all sides for sewing and trimming.)*

# Happy Birthday

May 01	Betty Hemrick	May 17	Susan James
May 02	Chris Livingstone	May 18	Bill Crowl
	Wendell Fox	May 21	Dylan Michael
May 05	Max Doss	May 24	Charles Walls
May 09	Don Hyatt	May 26	Nettie Craddock
	Roxanne Neal		Allison Griffiths
May 10	Regina Diaz		Myra Kibler
May 12	Victoria Bailey		Mark Meyers
	Pattie Williams	May 27	Teri Slemmons
May 14	Carl Hendrickson		Martha Michael
	Alan Slemmons	May 29	Peyton Peugh
May 15	Tony Carruth		



May 08	Marcus Crowe & Zachary Kincer	(3)
May 25	Dan Pile & Jennie Perryman	(30)
May 29	Phil & Paula Miller	
May 30	Frank & Lois Grice	(51)



## March Treasurer's Report

### General Operating:

Contributions: \$52,164.00

Expenses: \$38,458.00

Year to Date Contributions: \$126,258.00

Year to date Expenses: \$123,047.89

### CHERRY LOG CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, May 31, 2015 at 9:30 AM between Early and Second Service.

This meeting is to vote on the church leadership for next year beginning July 1, 2015. This is an important meeting and we hope that everyone will attend to make your vote count.

Thank you,  
Nominating Committee

## ATTENDANCE

	C. E. 8:25	10:55 Worship
April 5	64	196
April 12	41	92
April 19	30	96
April 25	51	99

## Welcome New Members

Please take a moment and welcome our newest members that joined in April.

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