

## ERIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS

### October 2008

Dear Friends,

*As some of you know, I try to write several devotions throughout the week, emailing them to over a hundred people in our church and throughout the world. Recently, I wrote this one about the economic crisis that we are all facing. As this is the beginning of our Stewardship Campaign, I thought this message might be apt for all of us.*

***Psalm 77:8 Has God's unfailing love vanished forever? Has his promise failed for all time?***

We are living in uncertain times and we are all anxious about the economy. It seems that we have just about outlived our greed, and that we will all be tightening our belts and becoming more frugal about how we spend our money. I even saw a report the other day that teenagers are beginning to reject designer label clothing. Instead, they are starting to buy cheaper items in an effort to reject hyper-commercialism, in order to save their own money. That, in itself, is a sign of a more frugal society which will affect our economy.

We've all been here before. In every society and civilization, there is a time when profligate spending and financial speculation comes to an end. It usually coincides with a religious revival because people begin again to trust more in God rather than the economy. It's a reality check on using greed to succeed. It's usually replaced with integrity, frugality, and, oddly enough, generosity. Instead of thinking about what's best for the individual, people become more altruistic and philanthropic. Instead of investing capital to gain more interest, people become more interested in community projects, charity organizations, and those in need.



That's when we recognize that God's love never fails. Economies and civilizations come and go, but the love of God, which is in and around us, remains. Instead of focusing upon where the market is each day, we recognize that each day is a gift from God. We give of ourselves in ways that glorify the goodness of God, instead of the greed of the market.

Perhaps you're worrying and fretting over your finances today, and are wondering what to do about the economic crisis. This is the perfect time to come to God and ask His guidance, seek His presence, and acknowledge His sovereignty over the situation. Eventually, the market will sort itself out, but if we make and take time to place ourselves under God's bidding, we will discover that our faith is stronger than the economy because faith, like hope and love, endures forever.

*Prayer: Lord God, in these uncertain times, You are the Rock of refuge and the Anchor of our salvation. Help us to take time to ponder on Your influence over our lives, and see Your guidance over what's happening in the world. Give us hearts that are full of hope and spirits that are encouraged by Christ. In Jesus' Name, we mightily pray. Amen.*

If you would like to sign up for the pastor's email devotionals, please visit our church website at [www.erinpresbyterian.org](http://www.erinpresbyterian.org) and sign up for them on the front page. John also uploads the devotionals to his blog page at [www.glenkirk.blogspot.com](http://www.glenkirk.blogspot.com).

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***October Sundays***

**October 5**

**Communion, Peacemaking Sunday**

Psalm 19:1-6 & Matthew 21:33-46

**“Making a Killing”**

**October 12**

**Stewardship Sunday**

Psalm 106:1-6 & Matthew 22:1-14

**“Party Politics”**

**October 19**

**29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Psalm 99:1-6 & Matthew 22:15-22

**“Not for Prophets”**

**October 26**

**30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Psalm 90:1-6 & Matthew 22:34-46

**“High School Antics”**

**November 2**

**Communion Sunday**

**TBA**

**ENRICHMENT SCHEDULE**

The following is the October schedule for Enrichment - if you are unable to attend on your scheduled date, please contact someone to take your place:

October 5

Denise Bilbrey    Kelcey Levering    Anna McKay

October 12

Julie Simpson    Dana McKenry    Shane Crisp

October 19

Tracy Foster    Heather Ritchie    Carla Hoskins

October 26

Pam Pfeifer    Susan Hannah    Anna McKay

Don't forget to check out Lauren Stuart's blog, [www.theroadtoafrika.blogspot.com](http://www.theroadtoafrika.blogspot.com). Get to know the children of Tanzania who were touched by your generous prayers and contributions for Lauren's mission in Africa.

**October Birthdays**

*(This may not be an accurate list and some names may be missing. If so, please accept our apologies)*



Regina Bishop	October 1
Evelyn Lowry	October 2
Allen Criss	October 4
Jill Burger	October 6
Mary Bryan McLeod	October 10
Ryan Bridwell	October 11
Jim Hilty	October 11
Susan Evans	October 13
Linda Quinley	October 14
Robin Cuany	October 17
Chuck Scarbrough, Jr.	October 17
Darrell Hickman	October 18
Sonja DuBois	October 19
John Baucom III	October 20
Michael Pierce	October 20
Rickey McCallum	October 21
Rob Matthews	October 22
Randy Boyd	October 24
Peggy Murphy	October 25
Jacque Roberts	October 25
Ellen Loveless	October 26
Bob Hoover	October 29
Michelle Waters	October 29
Joan Conley	October 30

***First Days of November***

Lindsay Pfeifer	November 3
Hannah Matthews	November 4
Amanda Scarbrough	November 5
Ashley Fortune	November 6

*Your birthday not listed?  
Please call the office at 588-5350.*

**Knox County Schools  
Fall Break  
October 20-24**



### Creative Expressions Ministry Team is Being Formed



Erin has been a strong supporter of creative expressions ministries for more than 10 years. In recognition of our commitment to the performing arts as Christian ministry, the congregation voted this year to add an elder to Session to lead a new Creative Expressions Ministry Team. Now that team is being formed!

Do you have a personal passion for drama or dance? Are your children or grandchildren eager for a supportive, nurturing environment in which to grow their performance skills? Will you help Erin reach out to the community in Christian witness through the arts, to touch the lives of some who might never consider attending church for conventional worship? God is calling such people to service on the Creative Expressions Ministry Team.

If you are hearing this call, please answer it! Join us for the next team meeting on Sunday October 5 after worship (12:30) in the Noah's Ark room. We're gearing up for our holiday production of "It's a Wonderful Life", and looking forward to Sonshine Company's spring show, "State Road 47". Did you know that God has blessed Erin with over 20 children participating in Sonshine Co., many of whom are from non-churchgoing families? It's amazing, and we need everyone's support to make it a success. Please contact Joe Jaynes, 675-1278, [jtj@abacusarts.com](mailto:jtj@abacusarts.com), with questions or comments, and "Join the Team" on Oct. 5.

*Thank you my Erin friends, for the prayers, calls, cards, food, and all the special ways you have shown your love to us. Our Erin Church Family is so special to Charles and I, no words can express our appreciation from us and our family.*

*Please.... Still keep me in your prayers as I continue my therapy and very hopefully will have a complete recovery from my stroke.*

*Our love to all,  
Mary Scarbrough*

Parents of Youth: remember to check the blog for dates and times: [www.erinyouth.blogspot.com](http://www.erinyouth.blogspot.com)

## DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY

### YOUTH NEWS

Well, our school year has started again and we are busy! Erin Youth had a great September. We went bowling with Westminster Presbyterian and got to make some new friends (and prove that Erinites are the best bowlers out there!). We also attended the John Knox Center Family picnic which was a ton of fun, as always. We canoed, ate a great lunch, and got to just hang out in the great outdoors. We (yes, including me!!!) even went down the zip line, which if you've never seen one, consists of climbing about 30 feet up a tree, hoisting yourself onto a 1X1 platform, and jumping off, to swing like a monkey from a rope. Pretty terrifying, but also very fun!

Our attendance has been AWESOME this year and I hope it just continues to improve. If you know a middle or high school youth who needs a place to belong, please bring them to a youth event! I say it often, but it's true: we have a wonderful bunch of kids at Erin. Every teenager deserves a group of friends like this!

See you Sunday night!  
Becca B.

Our October schedule is just as busy. Here are some dates to look forward to in the next month:

**5th: Annual Hunger Hike** (2 pm registration, 3 pm walk@ Lakeshore trail)

**11th: Youth trip to the Corn Maze.** I will need parent drivers for this: if you can help, please contact me!

**12th: PACK (Presbyterians ACross Knoxville)** meeting @ Westminster Presbyterian. 6:30-8 pm. (High School youth only) Middle schoolers will not meet on the 12<sup>th</sup>



### October Events:

- ☉ 3rd-5th: Middle School Retreat @ Camp John Knox
- ☉ Youth programs: 5-7:30 @ Erin PC
- ☉ Knox County Fall Break: 18-26. We will decide whether or not to meet depending on how many youth are in town!

**Graduated Erin Senior Highs:****Where are they now?**

This month, we'll take a look at one of Erin's larger graduating classes, the class of '04.



**Lynsey Stuart:** Lynsey graduated from the University of Tennessee in 2007 and is a second year Master's student in the Virginia Tech Higher Education Administration Program. She will be finishing up in May and then hopefully will be pursuing a job in Greek Life.

**Alex Jaynes:** Alex graduated from Auburn University and is now living in Huntsville, Alabama where he is working as a human factors engineer on the Ares I upper stage for Triumph Aerospace Systems-Newport News, a NASA contractor. He just returned from a trip to Germany and recently acquired a roommate: a cat!

**Beth Snodgrass:** Beth is living in Murfreesboro and is almost done with her degree in Organizational Communications. She's starting her second season as drum major for the Band of Blue and works at the chop house as a bartender/server.

**Molly Wadhams:** Molly is living in Knoxville and working as a Surgical Tech at Fort Sanders Regional. She is going back to school Spring '09 for Nursing.

**PW NEWS**

**Co-Team** will meet at 1:00 on Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at Diana Chappell's home.

**Circle II** will meet Monday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at Mary Scarbrough's home.

**Circle IV** will meet in the parlor at 10:00am on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

Join the Kingston Woods Neighborhood fall meeting September 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Erin Fellowship Hall for your opportunity to meet with Commissioners Finbarr Saunders, Ed Shouse, Captain David Rausch, Patrol Division, West District Commander, Knoxville Police Department, and Councilwoman Barbara Pelot. It will be a meet and greet type of format, and our guests will listen to and answer questions from the community. Light refreshments will be served. This is your opportunity to voice your concerns as a community member and as a resident of Knox County and the City of Knoxville.

*Each month, I'll be introducing you to one of our awesome youth! This month's youth is:*



Name: Mary Bryan McLeod

Grade: 11th

School: Austin East

**Name some stuff you do:** I play on the Austin East soccer team, I love chillin' with my buds, and um....I end up spending a lot of time in the art room at school.

**Favorite snack:** um...Kiwis 'cause they are scrumptious!!

**Favorite day of the week:** Friday because after school it's like a mini break... I usually end up doing something Saturday!

**What do you want to be when you grow up?:** well...funny story...I don't know yet! I know I want to do something with art, but I'm not really sure what yet.

**Favorite thing about Erin Pres:** Oh gosh, there's a lot of stuff, I mean I could go for days. But I think my favorite thing is how we're all so open to new people and ready to accept them into our "wee little church" family.

**Best thing about youth group:** The people, Becca Berry....I've grown up with most of these people and the ones that I haven't I'm still really close to!

**One thing people don't know about you:** I often break into song very loudly when I'm by myself.

*Actually, she breaks out into song when we're all around too! Mary is a kind-hearted, gentle spirit. She's one of those people you feel like you've known forever when you've just met. We are so blessed to have her at Erin! -Becca B.*



## MATTER OF FAITH



**A new Wednesday night science series  
(for anyone ages 4 to 104)**

### October – INTO THE PROMISED LAND

**We will talk about the Israelites' 40 years in the wilderness.**

**Oct. 1 - Map Lab** We'll map our way through the church while we map the wilderness.

**Oct. 8 - Food Decay Lab** This week, we may get some creeper crawlers in our saved up manna.

**Oct. 15 - Mt. Sinai Lab** There will be volcanic explosions at church this week.

**Oct. 29 - Ark of the Covenant Lab** We'll make a replica of the ark and talk about its significance.

**We would love for you to be a part of this great Wednesday program! If you are interested, please contact Mary Alice Vowell**



## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** – On November 8 SAM will host a Pre-Holiday “Stress Free” Dinner. Come join us for a delightful and very tasty dinner catered by David Courtney. Childcare will be provided. The cost is \$15 per person, and you must sign up by October 16. Contact Helen Henry or Maud Hoover for more information



SAM Council will meet Thursday October 16 at 10:30am. SAM Sack Lunch will follow at 12 noon! the guest speaker will be Betty Streckfuss, mother of Allyson Streckfuss. She will discuss “Being an Advocate for Seniors.”

### **IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN BODY RECALL**

If you have been thinking about joining a workout class, think no longer, just come give it a try. We meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday 4:00-4:55 PM, ending with a cool down. For more information contact Ron Roberts, Certified Body Recall Instructor.



### **Something to Ponder:**

If you woke up this morning with more health than illness you are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week.

If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of starvation you are ahead of 500 million people in the world.

If you can attend a church meeting without fear of harassment, arrest, torture, or death you are more blessed than three billion people in the world.

If you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof overhead and a place to sleep you are richer than 75% of this world.

If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, and spare change in a dish someplace you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy.

If your parents are still alive and still married you are very rare, even in the United States and Canada.

**FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY**



**Men's Breakfast** will meet Saturday, October 18th at 8:30ish. Contact Dale Webb for more information.



**The Fall Telephone Directories** are available in the narthex! If you are unable to pick one up at the church, call the office at 588-5350 for arrangements. Thank You!

*Erin's Fall Retreat  
For Women*

*November 14th-15th*

*Join us at the Living Waters Catholic  
Reflection Center  
in Maggie Valley, NC to explore  
Spiritual Disciplines with  
Rev. Sharon Carter.*

*Programs will begin Friday evening at 7:00 with dinner and planned activities will conclude Saturday afternoon. Lodging will also be available Saturday night for those who are interested in staying another night for reflection and relaxation.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I will be there for dinner (not included in registration fee)

\_\_\_ I will stay Friday night \$60 (includes 3 meals Sat.)

\_\_\_ I will stay both Friday and Sat. \$100 (includes 3 meals Sat. and 2 meals Sun.)

\_\_\_ I would like to carpool

*Questions?? Jennifer Gahan or visit the Living Waters website for facility information  
(<http://www.catholicretreat.org/>)*

**Session meets Thursday, October 16 at 7:00pm  
in the Heritage Room**

**WORSHIP**

**NOTES FROM NANCY**



Who chooses the music for the Sunday morning worship service? This question has been posed to me on numerous occasions over the 16 or so years I've served as Erin's organist. Usually the inquiry comes after a not-so-familiar hymn has been sung during worship, but also when the listener's curiosity was piqued by a particular prelude/offertory/postlude played that morning.

At Erin, choosing the music for Sunday morning worship is the responsibility of the minister, the Worship Team and the organist. Their task is to coordinate the music with each Sunday's scripture lesson in order to emphasize the message of the day. To do this, the team studies the scripture lesson of the day, confers with the minister as to what part of the scripture he wishes to stress and checks the church calendar for special days, i.e. World Communion/Peace Making Sunday, Reformation Sunday, Advent, etc.

The organist, following the above guidelines and taking into consideration music availability, playability, etc., selects the music to be played during the prelude, offertory and postlude. The worship committee, which meets quarterly to choose the hymns, uses a list of the upcoming Gospel readings and sermon titles along with The Presbyterian Hymnal, "Sing the Faith" songbook and "Call to Worship", a worship resource published by the PC-USA, to select hymns that will help to emphasize the theme of the day.

Now that you know how the service music is selected, the next time you have a comment regarding a particular hymn or any of the music heard during church, you'll know who to talk to. If you'd like to help us choose the hymns for Sunday worship, please come to our next meeting which will be posted in the bulletin. Come, help us make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

**LET'S DO DINNER**

**October  
7th**



**5:15pm**

**Parkside Grill on North Peters Road  
Contact Maud Hoover for more information.**

### The Erin Choir Needs YOU!

Do you have an interest in lifting your voice in praise somewhere other than the shower? Then the Erin Choir is the place for you. Your voice will be welcome in every section: soprano, alto, tenor, and bass. No formal vocal training is required ...just a willingness to learn. And we welcome all ages, from senior high school students to senior adults!. We practice each Wed. night from 7:30-8:30 pm. Contact Joe Jaynes 675-1278 or [jtj@abacusarts.com](mailto:jtj@abacusarts.com) for more information.



Public elementary schools are calling on local churches to help them reach children in need, and millions of children in America are searching for proof that someone cares. If your church wants to engage a public elementary school through the Kids Hope USA program, plan to attend an information session on Tuesday, October 7 from 12:30-2:00 PM at First Baptist Knoxville (510 West Main St. Knoxville, TN 37902). Please note, ten \$1,000 scholarships are available to help offset the expenses associated with launching a Kids Hope program in your church. Please RSVP or ask for additional details by calling Carol McEntyre at 865-246-4661. You can park in the church's lower lot; the entrance is off of Locust Street.

## OUTREACH

### MISSION MOMENTS

Next month on October 9th we have the honor of hosting two Peacemakers. Dionisia Ramos and her translator Jimmy Wells. Both of these folks are part of the International Peacemaking Effort.

Dionisia has been a self starter since the age of seventeen when she purchased her own fruit cart so she could earn money while still attending school. She married her husband Victor in 1985 and that same year their son Victor Jr. was born with Down's syndrome and physical problems. Dionisia helped to stabilize their family income to help pay the medical bills. She sold juice out of her home, washed clothes for other families and cooked in the welfare kitchen, receiving food in exchange for work.

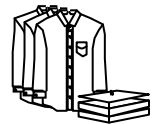
Seven years ago she became involved in Fair Trade by establishing a textile group. The five women who comprise Emady, sew, design products and have acquired skills needed to manage a business. Dionisia will tell you she and Victor struggled to provide for their three children until after she became involved in Fair Trade. Life is better now!

Sign up to come to dinner on Thursday Oct. 9 at 6:30 and meet our guest and learn how the Peacemaking offering is changing life for her and others in her community. There is no cost to you. Please let us know how many in your family will attend by signing up at the poster in the narthex - help us welcome Dionisia and Jimmy.

KIDS HOPE USA

### Clothing and Household Collection Drive

The Episcopal Church of the Ascension and other Bearden area churches are collecting good, used clothing and small household items to benefit local families in distressed situations and those with low income. Bring items to the North parking lot at the Church of the Ascension, 200 Northshore Dr., on Saturday, October 4 from 10:00-11:30am. Tax receipts will be available. Thank You!



### The Peacemaking Offering

Join us in worship on October 5, 2008, as we celebrate World Communion Sunday and receive the Peacemaking Offering. On this day we join with Christians around the world to celebrate the unity that we find at the Table of the Lord. We also receive the Peacemaking Offering to support the efforts of our congregation, our synod, our presbytery, and our denomination to spread the peace of Christ. Remember that 25% of the Offering will be used by our congregation for our peacemaking activities in our local area. The other 75% will help our partners in the presbytery, synod, and General Assembly as they work on behalf of God's peacemaking throughout the world.

**Are you a blogger? Email your link to Joe Jaynes at [jtj@abacusarts.com](mailto:jtj@abacusarts.com).**

**STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY**

**Stewardship Figures  
September 2008**

**Our Financial Stewardship for 2009**

We are rapidly approaching that time of the year when we consider our Stewardship pledges for the coming year 2009.

The decisions we make and the prayerful thought we give to these decisions will have a deep spiritual impact on our personal journey of faith. Giving has always been a mark of Christian commitment and discipleship. The way in which a believer uses God's gifts of material goods reflects how faithful he or she is to God's self-giving gift in Christ Jesus our Lord and Savior.

The year 2009 promises to be a watershed year for Erin. Great things are happening and our future looks bright and filled with excitement. We are being blest with a strong membership growth and a deep spiritual renewal throughout the congregation. Our children's and youth ministries are growing leaps and bounds. In fact we are seriously considering calling a Christian Education Director to join our staff in order to serve the needs of these vital ministries that will guarantee the future of Erin.

All these blessings bring with them challenges for us to meet. They will only be made possible if we have the financial resources to make them happen. We urge you to prayerfully consider to increasing your pledge for 2009 so that we can call a Christian Education Director to assure the continuing growth of our children's and youth ministries.

As you consider your response to God in our 2009 Stewardship Campaign, we ask you to pray regarding three things; adding a Christian Education Director to our staff, pledging if you do not presently do so and giving in proportion to your annual household income.

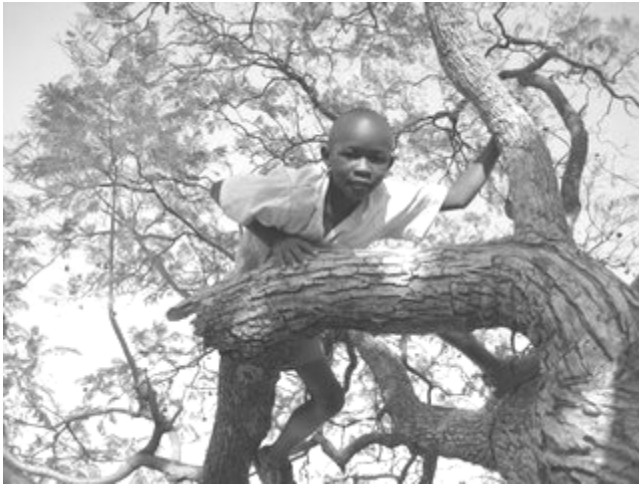
Respectfully,  
The Stewardship Team

	Jan - Sep 08	Jan - Sep 07
<b>Income</b>		
Bequests	33,146.05	0.00
Creative Expressions	5,291.80	5,521.45
undesignated	0.00	20,000.00
Property Income	17,771.00	17,272.13
Discipleship Income	5,665.50	6,943.46
Fellowship Income	3,758.20	6,149.04
Stewardship Income	685.56	356.86
Memorial Income	100.00	1,605.00
Outreach Income	12,174.30	5,915.30
Offerings	238,903.13	216,936.52
PW Income	0.00	6.00
Worship	568.23	550.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>318,063.77</b>	<b>281,255.76</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
Creative Expressions	12,381.83	9,381.91
Property Team	44,489.40	48,218.23
Discipleship Team	19,659.73	19,920.75
Fellowship Team	6,384.37	9,882.66
Outreach Team	39,708.84	29,722.36
Stewardship Team	77,220.75	73,546.68
Worship Team	3,289.27	2,237.56
Pastoral Ministry	71,490.02	71,728.52
Memorial Expenses	2,636.35	1,753.74
Session	544.46	328.94
PW expenses	0.00	203.49
Payroll Expenses	500.00	0.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>278,305.02</b>	<b>266,924.84</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>39,758.75</b>	<b>14,330.92</b>

**Seniors and Those Supporting Seniors:** Enrich your lives by attending the 24th annual daylong workshop Aging: A Family Affair, (Practical Information Related to Aging), Second Presbyterian Church, Thursday, October 2. \$30 includes continental breakfast, lunch, an exhibitors' fair and materials. Information, including registration, can be found at [www.knoxseniors.org/news/documents/env0809.pdf](http://www.knoxseniors.org/news/documents/env0809.pdf), or call 524-2786.



There are still some parking spaces available at the Presbyterian Center for UTK football games! We are selling the extra spaces each Saturday for \$25 a game (although we'll happily take more, as all donations go directly to the ministry at the Presbyterian Center). With the space you get bathroom, kitchen, and TV use. To make sure you have a space, call the Presbyterian Center and ask for Jason or Kally. 865-525-7475

**From Lauren's Blog...****Sappy**

Sappy is definitely the kid who acts out the most and gets in trouble all the time. But he has this adorable puppy face that he makes when he's in trouble, so you really can't stay mad at him for long. Sappy and I didn't get along all the time because sometimes I would just get so frustrated with him. After a while, though, my frustration turned to understanding of what he was going through.

Sappy would act out a lot because he yearned for some attention. He needed someone to acknowledge him and look him in the eye and have a conversation with him. The things he would do to get in trouble weren't done because he was a bad kid. He did them because he was reaching out for someone to love him. Everyone has their own way of telling people what they need, and as frustrating as it may have been, this was Sappy's way.

But beyond his acting out, Sappy was just a fun kid to be around. He always had to have some kind of contact with us, so he would walk behind us and pinch us, just so we knew he was around. He constantly made faces, and he was always laughing. And like I said, he had the most adorable puppy face I've ever seen. I could never resist it. That, along with his sweet begging voice, was a deadly combination.

One of my favorite things about Sappy was that he would always steal our cameras to be the photographer. The day we went to the Livingstone Museum, he took my camera and ran off. I watched him taking pictures from all kinds of crazy angles. He would lie down on the ground and take pictures. It wouldn't surprise me if he became a photographer later in life. When I got my

camera back, I had about 49 pictures of Sappy that he had taken himself. It was pretty adorable.

Even though sometimes when I think of Sappy, all I think of is how much he acted out, I can't help but smile. He was just too adorable for me to ever be mad at him. And of course, I know that all of his mischievousness was just because he yearned for some love. Hopefully, Sappy can feel that love from all of the volunteers that go to HAPO. Because as much as we want to yell at him sometimes, we can't help but love him unconditionally.

Lauren Stuart is now back in the nursery as one of our regular workers! When she is not in class at UT, she helps Bearden United Methodist with their after school care program. If you would like Lauren to watch your child(ren) on Fridays or Saturdays, contact her at 804-4427.

**John Stuart's Political Cartoons**  
**featured on CNN**

If you missed the CNN report on TV about Erin's pastor's cartoons, then please go to the following link: <http://www.cnn.com/video/#/video/ireports/2008/09/23/irpt.for.cnn.b.9.20.cnn> You will first have to endure an advertisement, and a 40 second monologue urging people to vote. The CNN host will then feature a few of the cartoons by John Stuart, with comments from the pastor voiced over the video.

To see Pastor Stuart's latest cartoons, go to <http://www.stushie.blogspot.com>.



**Hear Rev. Stuart on Mon 10AM-12noon on  
 WQBB 1040AM as a regular guest on the talk  
 show "The Voice."**

**Monday Night Bible Study...**

...returns on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7.15pm in the parlor. We'll be studying a new book called "The Shack" by William P. Young. It's a phenomenal best-seller which contains some amazing characterizations of the Holy Trinity.

The novel is about a man, in the midst of a painful crisis, who gets a note from God to come and visit Him. I found the book to be a wonderful story about healing, forgiveness, and peace which we all seek. If you'd like to discuss it, then come on Monday nights. If you can't make the group, then the pastor will be setting up an online study. Details will be available soon.

**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF**  
**September 28, 2008**

**IRAQ**

*Sam Tipton* (husband of Nicole Webb Tipton)

*Andrew Alger* (nephew of Susan Hannah)

**TENNESSEE**

*Carol Hatfield* (friend of Jane Yancey & Ruth White)

*Family of Lou Bruun* (friend of Becca Berry)

*Tom Quinley*

*Brian* (brother of Beth Harmon, coworker of Evelyn Stuart)

*Manjay Kanneh and family*

*Cecilia Stinnett*

*Cindy Funk Estes* (daughter of Sonya Funk)

*Ben Williamson* (grandson of Pat & Lynn Sexton)

*Chris Levering* (uncle of Robbie Levering)

*Mary Scarbrough*

*Kari Matthews & Family*

*Lora Yard*

*Jimmy* (friend of Apryl Quinn and Kari Matthews)

*Anne Latimer* (mother of Jill Burger)

*Jody McKenry* (cousin of John McKenry)

*Anne Estes* (friend of Sue Rayburn)

*Marjorie Swanner*

*Mrs. Pat Swain*

*Alicia & Charlie Gross* (friends of Bud & Lora Yard)

*Georgia Parry* (friend of Ruth White and Jane Yancey)

**ILLINOIS**

*Dorothy Burns* (aunt of Allyson Streckfuss)

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