

ARCC NOTES



NOTES FROM THE ROAD

Though I need both hands to count my decades, I thank goodness I have some fingers left, because I have so much yet to learn. Last week I learned to count to twelve using my thumb to mark off finger bones. With the other hand recording dozens, I can count to 144. It's an ancient arithmetic trick, and may be a reason why the number 12 is so culturally significant.

For most of my decades I've been a cyclist, and I know a lot about riding bicycles. An amateur naturalist, too. But yesterday I learned from another cyclist and naturalist what those white flowers, big as salad plates, blooming in clouds by the roadsides are: elderflowers. In late summer they'll bear elderberries. And the circles with a line pointing the way that cyclists paint on roadways to mark a route? In Georgia we call them "crankarms" because they look a little like them. But elsewhere cyclists call them "Dan Henrys" after the cyclist who thought them up. (Thanks, Judy!)

For every one of my decades, I've been in church. I know a lot about it, how to do it well and ill. But I have lots yet to learn. Thank goodness there's some time left. Dozens of new days.

Abbey Road Christian Church, in this season, what shall we add to what we know?

What I'm listening to: a song that scares a little with how poignantly it faces our unknowing: "Helplessness Blues" by Fleet Foxes (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7HHgedNNQco>). Let's get back to each other soon, shall we?

—Doug

Sunday School June 24

This Sunday, the "Conversations That Matter" group will discuss chapter 9, "Keep It Short," of Celeste Headlee's *We Need to Talk: How to Have Conversations That Matter*. Headlee does as she says; it's a short chapter. Enough said.

The Middle Room class will continue study of Daniel Rice's book, *#Gospel*, with discussion of Chapter 8 (p.141), "*#MissionImpossible*".

Dear Friends at Abbey Road,
Thank you for all the prayers, cards, and other expressions of sympathy in the passing of my dad, Dwight Taylor. We appreciate your thoughts and kindness.

Allen Taylor family



SIGN UP TO SERVE IN JULY!



Lift Up
IN
Prayer

John & Deborah Browne, Del Brunton, Connie Gibson, Kenny Werner, Luther Hunt, Mary Ann Heinsman, Maxie McKenzie & family, Bill Pratt, Mark Faith, Bill Cox, Gerry Thomason, Vera Brown, Ada "Dottie" Cruce, Joe Robb Blattner, Debbie McCormick, Susan Spooler, Emily Goode, Carol Gleason, Brian Lierer, Liz Meyer, Debbie Bradley, Thelma Nelson, Allison Sherinski, Debbie Michel, Kitty Prindle, Virginia Lewis, Carol Wells, Beverly King, relatives & friends serving in the military, all who are hurting, lonely, and afraid.

Do you have someone to add to our prayer list? Please inform the church office or fill out a form found at the back of the sanctuary.

Serving on Sunday June 24

At the Table: Jim Main (c), Judy Cureton (o)
Distribution: Anne McDonough, Karen Piker + ushers
Communion Prep: Felicia Fox
Scripture Reader: Judy Cureton
Greeters: Barbara Farrar, Felicia Fox
Ushers: Jamie Koehler, Jim Main, Randy McLain
Abbey Road Adventures: Peggy Bentlage
Worship Capt.: Wilma Dooley
Soundboard: Breedon/Dean

Worship Notes June 17

Attendance: 60 Regular friends: 15
Offering: \$2,950

June 24

Who Cares?

Mark 4:35-41

CALENDAR

Thursday, June 21

5:30pm Dinner Out with Friends at O'Charley's
6:30pm Deacons' Cabinet meeting

Sunday, June 24

9:30am Worship Service
9:30am Abbey Rd. Adventures for children, K-6th grade
10:30am Fellowship
10:45am Sunday School

Tuesday, June 26

8:00am Golden Boys at My Daddy's Café & Bakery

Wednesday, June 27

9:30am Bible Study
6:00pm New Life Singers practice

From the Pastoral Search Committee

The Search Committee needs your input to complete the congregational profile, and you will have several opportunities over the next few weeks to help us by providing your thoughts and opinions.

First, we are seeking input about the qualities we are looking for in our next settled pastor. On Sunday we will hand out a questionnaire about this that we will ask everyone to complete. We will also provide an opportunity for this on the next Sunday, July 1. If you cannot be in church on either day, just stop by the office to fill out the survey. We need all of them returned by July 8.

Also, we are seeking input about how we, as members & friends of ARCC, see our church. We will be asking a series of questions that will be on the wall as well as on a bulletin insert. Please prayerfully consider these questions and write your answers on the bulletin insert. We will have a basket on a table in the narthex for you to place the bulletin insert after you complete it. The first 3 questions we will be asking this Sunday are the following:

1. What has God uniquely called us to be and do as a congregation?
2. How do we hear God's call for our congregation?
3. What spiritual disciplines are regularly practiced by our congregation?

We really do want to hear from each of you, whether you are a member or not. If you identify with this congregation, whether as a member or as a participant, please respond. Your input is valuable and valued by us!

Pastoral Search Committee
Karen Piker, Chair



Dinner Out with Friends June 21, 5:30pm at O'Charley's

Tired of sitting in front of the TV with your dinner on a tray? Join us the 3rd Thursday of the month for "Dinner Out with Friends" for an evening of fellowship & conversation at a designated restaurant. This month, we'll meet at O'Charley's & next month's meeting place will be decided over dinner.

Call Glenda Zink (335-8489) to reserve your seat; leave messages up to 4pm on June 21.

