

# The Link

October 2023

## Good Food for a Good Cause



Amanda Beaver from Friend to Friend (top, below) explained the organization's work to diners. Cindy Sutton (bottom, below) cooked the spaghetti sauce for the meal.



A September 9 spaghetti supper organized by the Mission and Outreach Committee to benefit Friend to Friend raised \$2,228 in free will donations. Friend to Friend is a nonprofit whose goal is equitable access to advocacy services and safe shelter for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, and human trafficking.



# Session Notes

**September 19, 2023:** The Cameron Presbyterian Church Session meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Moderator John Baker. John's opening devotion was from 1 Peter 5:1-4, a call to elders to take care of their flock. He opened the meeting with prayer. Clerk Cathy McRae declared a quorum and the minutes from the last meeting were unanimously approved.

Under committee reports, Gene Frazelle for Budget and Finance was absent, but he sent word that committee chairs should be working on their budgets for next year. Treasurer Kathy Oldham was also absent. For Buildings and Grounds, Terry Keith reported that he had met with a contractor for the project of replacing some doors in the church building but had not yet received an estimate. Dawn Barber said that the Fellowship Committee is arranging a soup and sandwich supper on October 21, to be followed by a concert by The Orange Markers, Larry Allen's group. There will be a free will offering. Mary Rush will have flyers made up to advertise the event. Cheryl Bacon was planning an upcoming meeting with the Member Care Committee.

Karen Keith had several upcoming events for the Mission and Outreach Committee. October 1 is World Communion Sunday and there is a special offering for that event. The Cameron Antiques Street Fair is October 6 and 7; we will be providing parking those days and Karen said she needs help, especially on Saturday morning. Also, her committee

is planning a Trunk or Treat event at the end of October; more details will be available as the month progresses. Karen reported that approximately \$2200 was raised at the spaghetti dinner on September 9 and donated to Friend to Friend, to be used for a domestic violence conference.

Linda Seiberling, head of the Worship Committee, provided a list of supply pastors through the end of December. There will be communion on World Communion Sunday, prepared by Cheryl Bacon and Kathy Oldham. Communion will be taken, too, at the Sunday morning service on December 24. This will be the only service on Christmas Eve.

Terry Keith reported that the Pastor Nominating Committee is still hard at work; it's a difficult process, but the committee members are committed to their task and to each other. Cheryl Bacon said she would be scheduling a meeting with Sandy Leiby and Carol Thomas for the Nominating Committee. In the Moderator's report, John said the West Community meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> would feature a number of different classes for people to attend. The full commission met last month and approved an associate minister for Brownson Presbyterian Church.

With no other business to be conducted, the Session members closed with prayer and retired into a warm and darkening twilight.

—by Cheryl Bacon



Terry, Tonya, and Karen Keith attended a September 23 workshop on small church choirs led by CPC Music Director Mary Rush. The workshop was held at Community Presbyterian Church In Pinehurst, as part of a West Community Discipleship Development Day.

Our fall concert series will begin on Saturday, October 21, with **The Orange Markers** featuring Larry Allen, Emily Whittle, and Walt Lewallen. The concert begins at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary, preceded by a soup and sandwich dinner in Fellowship Hall at 5 p.m.

Our Christmas cantata presentation date is December 17 at 4 p.m. The cantata is "O Holy Light," by Mary McDonald.

## New Season of Music

The CPC Sanctuary Choir and Memorial Hand Chimes ringers started the 2023-24 music season with a supper gathering at Beefeater's in Southern Pines. Enjoying the meal: Karen Keith, Ember Grace Via and Tonya Keith (right), Barbara Peiker and Music Director Mary Rush (below) and many more (below right).

