

Church Council Notes



Summer is in full swing and we hope that you are enjoying some down time with your families. The Church Council sends prayers to everyone for safe travels and meaningful time away with family, friends and some relaxation.

Things are hopping here at the church with Pastor Katy live and in person! Thanks to everyone who has been helping her get settled, most especially Kathleen Gulley and the SPR Committee and Stephanie Trietsch.

There are several updates I'd like to bring to your attention:

1. The Learning Academy is excited about the potential for growth and upcoming move into the Educational Building. The move date is planned for early August to be ready for the new school year. Thanks to the Board of Trustees, particularly Gordon Hunter, for the efforts made with the renovations! Five families underwrote the sixty-five thousand dollars needed to pay for the updates. Many thanks to those who donated!
2. With the Learning Academy moving, we are actively looking for furniture and toys for the church nursery, which will be staying in the same location going forward. If you have anything to donate, would you please contact Meredith Hodges?
3. We are actively engaged in missions work this summer, partnering with Action Ministries again to make lunches for low-income kids. Nearly 1 million children in Georgia schools are eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunch, a crucial meal that disappears in the summer. *Smart Lunch, Smart Kid*, through the dedication of thousands of volunteers and donors, ensures that these children are fed in the summer and on school breaks. Unlike other feeding programs, Action Ministries take the food to the children in their neighborhoods, removing the barrier of lack of transportation. Since 2012, *Smart Lunch, Smart Kid (SLSK)* has served more than half a million healthy lunches to Georgia children in the neighborhoods where they live, along with enrichment activities and mentoring opportunities to ensure that their minds as well as their bodies are nourished.

Thanks to Julie Couch for coordinating all the groups who are making 225 lunches once a week for the summer. Also, did you know our church is a central distribution point for the SLSK program? If you are interested in helping make lunches or delivering lunches in our neighborhood please contact Julie.

4. Church Directory Update: Stephanie has compiled all the information, will verify content in July for a planned distribution of a new directory in August.

We have lots of exciting things happening here at College Park First. Thanks for being a part of it.

Meredith Hodges and Julie Askew
Church Council Co-Chairs
