



# The Duck Call

The Monthly Newsletter of Duck Church • June 2026

## A Moment of Perspective and Gratitude

As I prepare to retire from pastoral ministry and Stephen Bazan comes to lead this congregation into its next season of ministry, I want to share a word of encouragement from my heart.

First, thank you. Thank you for your prayers, your faithfulness, your kindness, and your partnership in the Gospel through the years. It has been one of the greatest blessings of my life to worship alongside you, to walk with you through seasons of joy and sorrow, and to witness the faithfulness of God in this church family time and time again.

While leadership changes can bring many emotions, I want to encourage you to remember this important truth: the mission of the church never changes because Jesus Christ never changes. Long before any pastor arrived, Christ was the Head of His Church, and long after any pastor leaves, He remains ever faithful.

The future of the church does not rest in the hands of one person alone. It rests in the hands of God, and He has promised to continue His work among His people. Scripture reminds us:

*“Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” — Galatians 6:9*

As you welcome Stephen and Amanda, I encourage you to continue being the loving, serving, Christ-centered church

God has called you to be. Pray faithfully for your new pastor and family. Support them with encouragement and grace. Continue worshipping passionately, loving extravagantly, and witnessing boldly to the transforming power of Jesus Christ.

Stay committed to the ministry of the church. Keep serving. Keep giving generously. Keep inviting others to worship. Keep caring for one another. Keep making disciples of Jesus Christ in this community and beyond.

Every generation of believers is called to carry the Gospel forward, and now God is preparing the next chapter in the life of this church. I truly believe your best days of ministry are ahead as you remain faithful to Christ.

Though retirement brings a transition for Angie and I personally, our prayers for Duck Church will continue. I will always thank God for you and for the privilege of serving among you. May the Lord bless you, guide you, and fill this church with renewed joy, vision, and faithfulness in the days ahead.

With gratitude and love in Christ,

*Chris*

Pastor Chris

### OUR MISSION

*To make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe.*



*Teddy Bear delivery to the Police Chief of Southern Shores, Dave Cole and the Fire Department*



## The Duck Methodist Women

Thursday,  
June 5th  
9:30AM

*"Ladies...*

*Our May meeting was a day to learn about prayer and to practice prayer together.*

It was the National Day of Prayer, after all! I was very sorry to miss that meeting. Thanks to all of you who knew I needed to see my eye doctor for a bit of an emergency concerning the pressure in my eyes. All is back under control and we have plans for a procedure to help even more soon. I think all the prayers were the real answer to what my eyes needed. Again...thanks!

There was also discussion on change on the horizon. Let me say... Angie and I restarted our Women's Group (with Pastor Chris' help) several years ago. Our first meeting was one of discussing together what we all envisioned our group to be. To be honest, we didn't change much from our earlier groups and we now think it may be time to answer some questions about how things are going, what needs more definition, and celebrating what has been working. Please do not let this cause any upset or fear. Our group will still be the place to meet with and encourage one another to develop deeper friendships, enjoy those friendships in fun activities and spiritual learning, and to plan ways to help those in our church and community. Watch for the day and time for a meeting over the summer where the Board Members and other interested ladies (that could be YOU!) will meet to discuss things prior to our September Meeting.

One last item...Our dear Angie Aydlett led a Teddy Bear Ministry to collect bears to be given to emergency care personnel so they could hand them out at their discretion to children, (young and older) when they are out serving the community. Thirty-five bears were dedicated before they were sent out.

Our next meeting will be our Kite Day with the special needs adults in our community. More on this as it draws near!

Thanks again for your love and prayers,

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Lynda Park  
Co-President"

# June BIRTHDAYS!

6/1- Pia Drummond	6/15- Regan Minnich
6/2- Carnell Boyle	Raymond Starsman
Leigh Anne Vincent	6/17- River Wells
6/3 - Sally Meagher	6/19- Kerrie Brown
6/3 - Bobbi Wells	6/20- Jennifer Minnich
6/6 - Carolyn Teabault	6/22- Matty Naser
6/8 - Barry Breit	Laird Sager
6/9 - Pamela Johnson	6/24 - Lisa Walker
6/10 - Alline Aydlett	6/25 - Miki Wallace
6/14 - Sandra Buss	6/28 - Gloria Emory
Chris Sims	John Wallace

*Happy Birthday to All Y'all!*

If your birthday is this month but not listed, please call the church office to be included next year.

# MEN Duck

## WAKE UP AND SMELL THE BACON!

Mark your calendar for June 13th at 8AM

Why you ask?

Because we have the men's breakfast that day before we take off for the summer months of July and August - resuming in September. We'll have a delicious breakfast from Stackem High, a short business meeting and a devotional. Come hang out with a great group of guys who love the Lord - and bacon. See you there!

Jim Cotter  
Duck Men Secretary



Come with me. We're going to walk.

Take a right at the church office and follow the hallway into the children's Sunday school area. On the right side, you'll come to the quiet room and just beyond that is the multipurpose room. Step into this room if you're a kid and you're going to be drawn in. Let me tell you why.

Brooke Naser, our Director of Family Ministries, who is on the Ministry Council, expressed to us a need to do some upgrades to this room including new toys (some were at least 20 years old!) and new activities centers. She was right and the Ministry Council agreed. Time for an upgrade! So let me describe this space to you.

The walls are painted a soft light blue, giving the space a calm, welcoming feel. Two windows bring in natural light, and the room is well-lit with ceiling lights. The floor is partly covered with interlocking foam tiles in a checkered pattern of teal, white, and gray—great for safety and comfort during play.

On one side, there's a small indoor play structure with a slide and a ball pit filled with pastel-colored balls, sitting on a green rug. Toward the back, there are soft foam blocks and a small toy theater setup, encouraging imaginative play. There's also a baby activity center with a colorful canopy.

On the other side, a small table with child-sized chairs is set up for crafts or snacks. A TV is mounted on the wall above to play videos and there are a few cheerful posters with positive, child-friendly messages. Overall, the room feels clean, organized, and thoughtfully arranged to support different types of activities - active play, creativity, and quiet time.

So why do this? In addition to this room being used several times per week, Brooke is starting a new thing called "Toddler Time" (see graphic). This is just another way to get children and their parents involved in church.

Any expenditure that the Ministry Council considers is looked at through the lens of being good stewards of our resources and "does this align with the goal (I should say command) of making disciples of Jesus Christ?".

The makeover of this room clearly does. Thank you Brooke for your leadership.

To the congregation - these projects would not be possible without your generous and loving support. Thank you from the Ministry Council!

And one more very important thing. .... I want to personally thank Pastor Chris for his outstanding leadership for the last 7 years. Like a good shepherd he has guided and sustained this church and this congregation through the stormy waters of disaffiliation, dealing with the loss of loved ones, visiting the sick and dying, and delivering the best sermons/lessons and practical Christian guidance that I've ever known. Those half sheets in the bulletin with 3-5 things to work on next week? —I have a prize collection of 175 of them! I review them from time to time for guidance and direction. He has given me the opportunity to fill in for him occasionally and that has grown the introverted me as a Christian in so many ways. You encouraged me to write and publish a book. You are a great blessing to so many and the embodiment of Matthew 25:21 - a good and faithful servant. Thank you my friend. Amen? Amen.

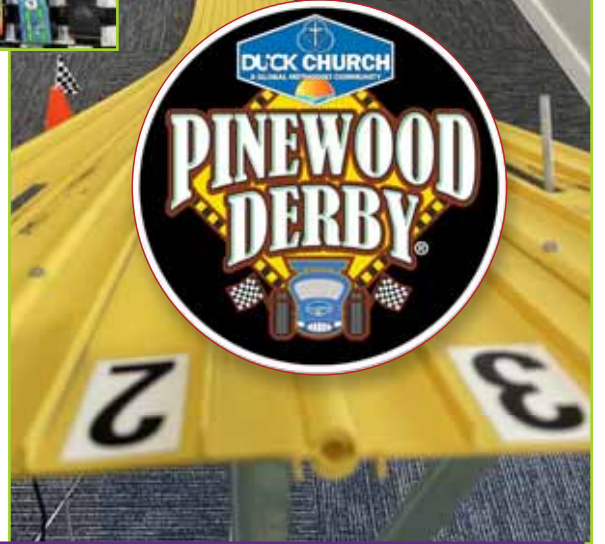
Jim Cotter  
Ministry Council Chair



Congratulations to Troy (1st place)  
Mila (2nd place) & James (3rd place)!!!



**DELTA Club Pinewood Derby Night  
EQUALS = a Total Hit!**



So much fun watching the cars race and cheering each other on! The kids' creativity was on full display with their amazing, one-of-a-kind cars - so fun to see! A HUGE thank you to Blair and Marion Siefferman for helping everything run so smoothly. We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you to the Mom's Bible Study group for feeding us such a delicious dinner before the Derby!

**TODDLER Time:**  
Free Play Dates at  
**Duck Church**  
Tuesday's 9-11 AM

Open to all Babies-Preschool age kids and their parent/guardians.

Coffee/Hot Tea available for the parents to sip on as their littles play.

Come play, connect, and make new friends!

# SPRING CLEANING?

Donate your unwanted items to the Duck Methodist Women for their July Jumble / Yard Sale!

Sale Will be Held on  
**Friday, July 3rd • Noon to 3 pm**

Items may be left in the Fellowship Hall beginning **Sunday, June 21st** by appt.  
(Contact Sue Beaulieu or Lynda Park through the church)

OR... June 22nd – July 1st during regular church office hours.

No clothing or books, please



Jewelry items can be left in the basket by the Church Mailboxes.

All profits will go toward any of the Duck Methodist Women ministries... Zoe Orphans, Beach Food Pantry, Food for Thought, Interfaith Community Outreach, NC Fellowship of Christian Athletes, OBX Hotline, Camp S.A.L.T., Gem, Dare Challenge, and more

## There's Still Time to Sign Up!

For All Our Activities!

### Duck Church DAY CAMP

Explore God's Creation with Fun, Friends, Field Trips & Faith!



July 27-31 | 9AM-4PM  
Ages 6-12 | \$75



## Life Skills Camp

Duck Church • June 15th - 18th • 1-4 PM

We will be focusing on a different life skill each of the 4 days!  
Camp will include instruction, crafts/ supplies and games.  
Space is Limited to 20 campers!

Scan code to register:



Ages 6 - 12 | \$40 per camper



# June 2026 *To God Be the Glory, for Things He Hath Done...*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>Random Act of Kindness Tuesday</b> Do Something Nice for Someone	<b>EVERY TUESDAY</b> AA 7:00 PM		Duck Methodist Women Meeting 9:30 AM		
	<b>EVERY MONDAY</b> Prayer Group in the Chapel 9:00 AM	Memorial Service for Tom Bennett 1:00 PM	<b>EVERY WEDNESDAY</b> Couple's Bible Study 7:00 PM	<b>NO CHOIR PRACTICE</b> (summer break)	Duck Call Deadline June 12th	<b>MEN</b> Duck Men's breakfast 8:00 AM
One Worship Service 10:00AM Retirement luncheon for Chris & Angie 11:00 AM				<b>15th-18th VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b> 9:00AM-NOON <b>LIFE SKILLS CAMP</b> 1:00-4:00PM		<i>A Good Day to Rejoice in God's Goodness. (indeed)</i>
			<b>WORSHIP SERVICES</b> Traditional Sunday Worship Services - 8 & 9:30 AM Contemporary Sunday Worship Service - 11 AM Sunday School - 9:15 • 9:30 AM & 10:45 AM			



The Care Ministry Contact Person for June is Sue Beaulieu. Please contact the church for her number.  
*Be well in Christ.*

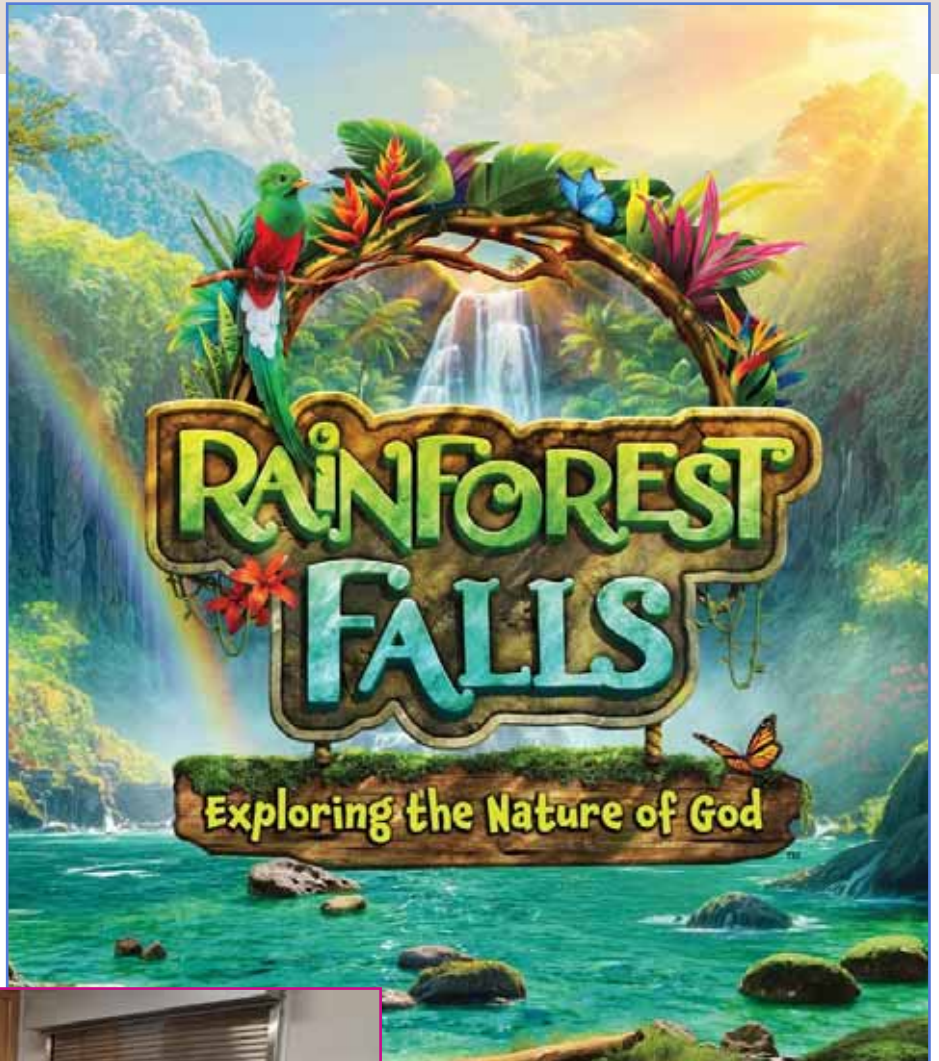




CHECK OUT WHAT'S GOING ON  
AT YOUTH GROUP THIS MONTH:

## Youth Students, Volunteer for VBS! June 15th-18th 9 AM – 12 PM

Serve with us at Vacation Bible School! There are lots of ways our middle and high schoolers can help: hang out with a group of kids, help with one of the stations, or help with tech stuff. If you are interested in serving for the week or even for one day, talk with Amy.



### Pasta Night!

It's always a hit when the Mom's Bible study provides a pasta dinner for our D6 ministry. Thank you to all of the groups and individuals who made food for Delta Club, youth group, and the Disciple-Makers at Home Adult Small Group this school year!

We Might Not Have it All Together... But Together We've got it All. 😊



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DUCK, NORTH CAROLINA  
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## Prayer Requests

Please call the church office if you do not have e-mail and would like to receive notices of prayer requests.

To Communicate ~

Call us at 252-261-1525

Monday through Thursday or

Email anytime at:

[office@duckchurch.org](mailto:office@duckchurch.org)

**Quick note:** please contact the church office if you are unable to get the virtual worship service.... *God Bless.*

Office Hours: **OPEN**

Please call Monday ~Thursday – 8:00 to 4:00 PM

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Duck Church



***The deadline for the July Duck Call is June 12th. Thanks.***

**RAINFOREST FALLS**  
Exploring the Nature of God

**Duck Church Vacation Bible School**  
June 15th - 18th • 9AM - Noon  
Ages 4 - Rising - 5th Grade

## Have You Visited Our Web Site Lately?

Go to [www.duckchurch.org](http://www.duckchurch.org).

You will find sermons from our Pastor, opportunities to serve, Mission activities, ministry for children, youth and adults, the latest newsletter, and you can even donate on line.

Check it out!