



# Hamilton Street Baptist Church Newsletter

2011

Essential Church for all the seasons of life.

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How is your summer going? Summer at HSBC has been simply amazing! Our attendance and giving has remained strong. During the rainy days...(remember those days when we wondered if it would ever stop raining? Now we wonder when it will start again?)...God gave us an open window for our picnic and baptism service at Thousand Hills. Even more amazing was the wind storm that came that evening.

We took a short break and got ready for VBS. What a great VBS! Everyone did such a great job, from decorating to the VBS itself. Again, thanks to everyone who helped.

Now we are about ready to head off on our mission trip to Park Hills. (By the time most of you read this, we will be back.)

As all of this has been happening, our church has provided leadership for our association's children's and youth camp. Our proposed building plans and our Capital Improvement (Fund Raising) Committee are hard at work. We are looking at how best to strengthen our youth ministry...well the list could go on. It has not been a dull or slow summer.

Worship in the Park is just around the corner along with many other activities.

It has been a great summer. I pray you have had a blessed summer as well.

*Pastor Charles*  
[pastorchas@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pastorchas@sbcglobal.net)



Would you like to volunteer to help with Worship in the Park?

The tent will need to be returned on Tuesday, August 30th.

If you have yet to be asked to help with Worship in the Park, and you'd like to lend a hand, call the church office, at 665-4633, and we'll connect you with an area of service.



*Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and*

*send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."* Nehemiah 8:10

What a great encouragement this verse brings to mind and heart, right? You may want to memorize it, as this is the verse we've selected to base some of our activities this year.

### Discipleship

Be looking in the foyer for sign-up sheets for our fall Bible studies which will begin in September. If variety is the spice of life, our fall Bible study menu is full of flavor.

The Wednesday morning study (starting September 7) will focus on the process of forgiveness. Wednesday night programming will also begin September 7<sup>th</sup>. We will be offering a 6-week study about satisfying your deepest desire with God followed by a 6-week study on fasting. Thursday morning's study (beginning September 8) comes straight from Romans 12. Monday night's study (beginning September 12) will be in the Psalms.

In order to have enough material on hand for everyone, please sign up in advance. Please either sign up on Facebook at Hamilton Street Baptist Church Women's Ministry or in the foyer or call the church office. You will also have the opportunity to sign up at the Girlfriend Gala on August 25<sup>th</sup>.

### Fellowship

Our fall Women's Ministry kickoff plans are well underway. The Girlfriend Gala will be held on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8 p.m. This event's purpose is to highlight the fall and winter Bible studies offered, social events and activities scheduled, service projects to be involved in, and conferences to attend.

Of course, there will be food, fun, grins, giggles, and gifts! We will *enjoy choice food and sweet drinks*. You'll hear more about the Punch Line (*the joy of the LORD*) later!

Please not only plan to attend, but invite someone who is uninvolved in HSBC or who is interested in finding the right church home so she can see what our women's ministry has to offer. A sign-up sheet will be in the foyer, and again, you can sign up on Facebook.

Please also note we will be having our Ladies' Carry-In Lunch on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> from noon – 1 pm.

### Service

Our August Public Servants of the Month are the workers at the MODOT Maintenance Shed. Approximately 9 dozen homemade goodies are requested. ... *send some (choice food) to those who have nothing prepared*. Please sign up in the foyer and drop off your donations at the church no later than Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> by 2 pm. Contact Vickie Rudd.

The August Kirksville Manor Care Birthday Party is being organized by Amber Lupton. Contact Amber if you would like to help with this event on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm.

Julia Owings is keeping the food labels project up-to-date. Full lists of the labels which can be used are in the foyer. The labels will continue to be sent to Shepherds Ministries in Wisconsin. See their website for more information: [www.shepherdsministries.org](http://www.shepherdsministries.org)

Are you a crocheter, quilter, knitter or crafter who likes to make booties, baby hats, or baby blankets? *Love, Lily* continues to receive contributions. You can also donate materials. Contact Stacy Tucker-Potter for more information.

We just finished a week of participation in the community-wide outreach *Food 4 Kids*. Thank you for the many hands who made lunches, packed coolers, transported items, hung banners, played with children, completed forms, and gave lunches to

those in need, and especially to Lana Brown who coordinated our effort. All of you are a blessing!

### Conferences

If you'd like to attend a local event, a Beth Moore simulcast will be held at Rehoboth Baptist Church on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. Tickets, which include snacks & lunch, are \$25. See the flier in the foyer for more information.

The Women of Faith Conference in Kansas City will be November 4 & 5 at the Sprint Center. What better way to get to know your sisters in Christ than a road trip? Plan now to attend!

### Prayer

I thank God for the wonderful women who continue to lift up our ministry and personal needs in prayer. They would like to pray for you as well. *Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength*. Contact Jane Jackson to share a prayer request.

### Leadership

I've said it before, and I'll say it again. I am very excited about what God is doing in our midst!

Feel free to contact me anytime to discuss your ideas!

**Kay Shelby**, Women's Ministry Director  
660-349-7268, or [kayshelby@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kayshelby@sbcglobal.net)

## Vital Signs

### Year to Date (07/17/2011):

Budgeted Offering:	\$153,167.52
Received Offering:	\$149,881.56
Budget Expenses:	\$141,175.98

### YTD Average Attendance:

8:30 a.m. Worship:	109
11:00 a.m. Worship:	126
Worship Total:	236
Sunday School:	144

LADIES, JOIN US!  
TUESDAY  
AUGUST 9  
12:00

Carry-In

Ladies Luncheon



Ladies: We Will Have Our Luncheon  
This Month!

Now that summer events are over, we are back to every other month, the 2nd Tuesday of the month schedule. So, Aug. 9th, 12:00-1:00 pm come join us on your lunch hour for fellowship and good food. Just bring a dish of your choice: main dish, vegetable, desert or bread.

You may sign up in the foyer to know what others are bringing.

**YOUNG MOTHERS:** There is no childcare, so bring your children with you!

**WOMEN:** Bring a friend!

**WORKING WOMEN:** Bring a co-worker!

**DON'T DRIVE?** Call Brenda Jones for a ride.

If you bring someone, a good rule of thumb would be one dish per person (with exception of small children.) Summer is about over and fall is upon us. So let's start off the fall with a BANG and try to invite at least one person each.

We have been averaging 15-20 ladies. Let's set a goal to double that this year! See you (and a friend) there!

*Brenda Jones*

## FOOD 4 KIDS

A huge thanks to the 32 workers who have volunteered to work the Food 4 Kids program. At this writing, we are posed to serve lunches in three parks (Brashear, Jaycee, and P.C. Mills) the week of July 25-29.

The local food bank provides the food. Our willing servants prepare the food, transport it to the parks, serve it, and then return the leftovers to the central location. As usual the HSBC workers have been anxious to assist in this needed ministry. It is a great pleasure to work with people who have such servant's hearts.

*Lana Brown*



## Bus Drivers Needed

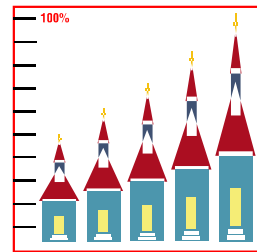
### WANT TO FIND YOUR MINISTRY?

We are in need of assistance with the Transportation Ministry which provides transportation for several people to church.

If you would like to ride along and see how the Transportation Ministry serves the church and how you might help out, contact Doug Athon.

No CDL required!

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE REPORT

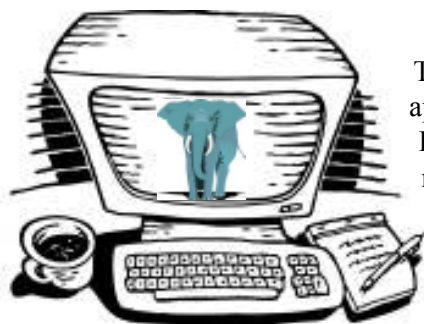


The Capital Campaign

Committee was called in May 2011 when the church approved the Building Committee's building plan (with 89% approval). The charge for the Capital Campaign Committee is to develop a plan, budget and timeline for a capital campaign to meet the financial need of completing the building plan approved by the church.

The Committee has met with a representative from the Missouri Baptist Convention to discuss a three-month campaign structure. The timeline includes time for training, prayer emphasis, visitations and a celebration dinner. We are considering an August start with a November finish. The fee from the Convention for this campaign is 2% of our annual undesignated giving, or \$4,800. We would also have to budget additional expenses for the campaign such as printing, postage and campaign celebration. The Committee has reviewed the expenses of the last campaign and is actively working to minimize costs where possible.

The success of this campaign hinges on the number of our people who are committed and invested in the campaign. We need many volunteers to assist with planning, prayer, publicity and home visits. This will have to be a church-wide effort, involving sacrifice of time and treasure of all for the benefit of the church and of God's Kingdom. Members of the committee will be reaching out to the church as a whole for volunteers in assisting with the campaign in a variety of ways. We ask that everyone in the church be praying about how God would move you to be involved in this project. We hope to have a full recommendation for the church in early August. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact any of the committee members: Lana Brown, Chad Tatro, Mark Taylor, Stacy Tucker-Potter and Jonathan Walker.



## Church Secretary

The Personnel Committee is accepting applications for **SUBSTITUTE SECRETARY**. Interested persons should contact any member of the Personnel Committee:

Mike Hartman, Chair

Doug Athon

Mike Brummit

Jeda Kerby

Amber Lupton

## A Note from the Minister of Music



*That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*

Ephesians 3:17-19

Our church just finished a very successful VBS. Lots of hours and many dedicated workers were needed to plan and execute such an outreach program for the children and youth of the church and the community.

At the conclusion of VBS we had eight children come forward to profess faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Just as the hymn “Jesus Loves Me” says, they learned at VBS that Jesus loves them, He washes away their sin, He died for them, and He has prepared a home for them in Heaven.

Anna and Susan Warner co-authored the words of that hymn when they wrote a novel entitled “Say and Seal”. The story told about a little boy named Johnny Fox

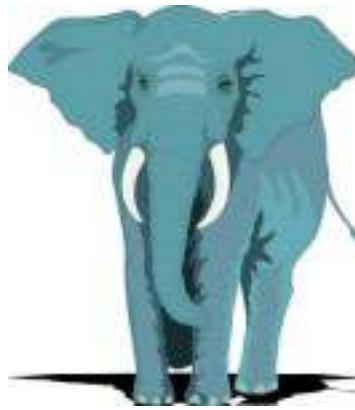
who was dying. As his Sunday School teacher rocked him in his arms, he sang Johnny a song: “Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.....”

Years later Miss Anna told a friend that there was a time when she was very perplexed with the hardships of her life, but someone had sent her an exquisite shell. She realized that if God could make this beautiful home for a little creature, He would certainly care for her.

Isn't it comforting to know that our Lord Jesus Christ loves us? If at times we seem to question that love, just remember, “the Bible tells me so”!

Choir practice resumes August 7 at 5:00 p.m. Bring a friend and let's fill the choir loft!

**Jim Barnett**, Interim 8:30 am Music Minister  
musicjim@sbcglobal.net



Thirteen elephants are hidden in this newsletter. Can you find them all? Remember to pray for our friends in far away places whenever you see an elephant!

are a ministry leader and would like a printout of your area's expenditures, please make that request by August 7th.

Presentation of the 2012 budget and discussion is scheduled at the November 13th business meeting. Voting without discussion is scheduled at special-called business meetings during regular morning services on November 20.

If you have questions, please contact the Finance Committee: Chair-Kathy Adkins, Allen Noel, Kay Shelby, Sue Sprague, & Mark Taylor.

## YOUTH GROUP SCOOP

We're going to meet in PC Mills Park on Wednesday nights until school starts.

We've canvassed the local neighborhood and invited our neighborhood kids to come play, eat and eat with us... Play a few games, eat a hot dog and hopefully eat a little gospel too!

Come hang out with us, water guns are welcome.

*Tammy Tingley*

...and...

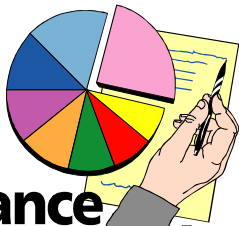
*Jonathan Walker*

**PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE:**  
Men's Breakfast has moved to the first Saturday of each month



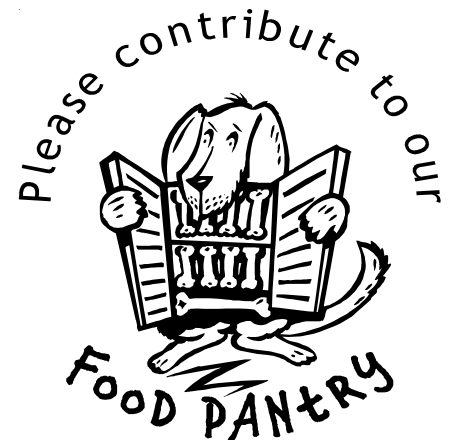
Saturday, August 6  
8:00 a.m.

Rosie's Northtown Cafe  
Contact Doug Athon, 665-5221



## Finance Committee

The Finance Committee will soon begin the 2012 budget process with requests being asked for from ministry leaders by 7 p.m. September 25<sup>th</sup>. If you



# AUGUST CALENDAR

August 1	9:30 a.m.	Highland Crest
August 2	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
	7:00 p.m.	Missions Committee
August 3	6:00 p.m.	Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study / Youth
	7:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee
August 4	7:00 p.m.	Personnel Committee
August 6	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Rosie's Northtown Café
August 8		Book of Reports Submissions Due
August 9	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
	12:00 p.m.	Ladies' Carry-In Lunch
	6:00 p.m.	Church Outreach & Visitation
August 10	6:00 p.m.	Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study / Youth
	7:30 p.m.	Finance Committee
August 14	6:00 p.m.	Business Meeting
August 15 – 19		Pastor Charles & Jane on Retreat
August 16	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
August 17	6:00 p.m.	Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study / Youth
August 18		Newsletter Items Due
August 21	8:30 & 11 a.m.	Lord's Supper
August 23	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
	6:30 p.m.	Deacons Meeting
August 24	2:00 p.m.	Treats for MODOT Maintenance workers to church
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study / Youth
	7:30 p.m.	Church Council
August 25	6:00 p.m.	Girlfriend Gala - Fall Women's Ministry Kickoff
August 28	11:00 a.m.	Worship in the Park followed by Free Lunch Evening Services Dismissed
August 30	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
	2:30 p.m.	Kirksville Manor Care August Birthday Party
August 31	6:00 p.m.	Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study / Youth

THANK YOU!

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VBS is one of the most exciting times for me at HSBC. You just can't match the enthusiasm of over 100 children, a room full of adult learners (in our first ever adult VBS) and around 60 volunteers. This year in particular, I was struck by the investment of our volunteers. We came out in record numbers, all dedicated to teaching our children the ABC's, and God blessed us richly for our efforts. The eight children who accepted Christ as their savior are part of our reward. We know that no matter how small our efforts, we were used to teach the gospel. Wow! Thank you so much to everyone who was a part of it, whether you be a decorator, kool-aid server, teacher, helper, song leader, crafts leader, recreation leader, donated food, bus driver, brought kids or are an unsung hero that I have neglected to mention, thank you!

If you missed out on the fun of VBS and crave the blessings that come from working for the Kingdom, if you are wanting to find out which good works God prepared in advance for you to do (Ephesians 2:10), please contact us. We want everyone to experience the joy of serving God!

*Stacy Tucker-Potter,*  
Nominating Committee Chair



*Of what value is the grace  
I receive  
if it does not  
dramatically **Change**  
the way I live?  
If it doesn't change the way  
that I live, it will **NEVER** change  
my eternal destiny.*

Charles H. Spurgeon

The purpose of the Church is to glorify God by fulfilling the Great Commandment

*(<sup>36</sup>"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" <sup>37</sup>Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' <sup>38</sup>This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup>And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'*

*<sup>40</sup>All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matthew 22:36-40)*

and the Great Commission

*(<sup>18</sup>Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20).*

# Family Focus

*Sharing lives with others...families to families...*

by Greg Xander

So... answer this question for yourself: “Do you know your neighbors?” and maybe even “How well do you know your neighbors?”

Not..neighbors as in anyone in the world that we should love and care for as Christ did, but your physical, next door, 10-20 yards away neighbors.

It is something to ask, only because of the sheer guilt that I felt when this was asked of me, and then it was asked for me and others to draw a map of our neighborhood and fill in the names of our neighbors and just what do we know of them. Well, I failed pretty bad; I knew a couple of them by last name, one by first name only – but that did not mean I talked to them much at all, and so I ended up being schooled by my wife on just who some of our neighbors are and more, what was happening in their lives.

That began a journey about one year ago exactly, to bring me, our family and our fish, to a place that today we knew some of our neighbors a little more, some still not so much but working on it, and some a considerable bit more. Why? To help them know we genuinely care for them and that maybe through our love, conversations, playing with their kids and

ours, stroller walking and wagon rides that turn in to adventures together, that maybe we can help bring them to a place where they will meet Jesus.

They say the hardest people to love are those who are the closest to you, like your family, because you know each other so well, the good and not so good (hey, we have holidays in my family too, and they are not all filled with pretty lights and silent nights). But we hope that when we come through it all to the other end, that maybe we can see Christ’s love a little more clearly, and maybe understand a little more His purpose for us, and the whole world. Well, our neighbors are like that; they know some things about us that are not so glamorous, and all the wrinkles are just more visible. Is that bad? If you build your life on looking good to others, yeah that is pretty much not good; but if you are able to work with all your might in Christ to be a little better today than you were yesterday, then maybe the process of getting there is not really that abnormal, and in fact you are not alone in being the only person on the planet who doesn’t have it all worked out yet.

The first commandment is to love God with everything, the second is to love your “neighbor” as yourself. Boy, it is so much

easier to love the family in another town, or out of town, way safer than those neighbors just feet from us. Yes, love them all for Christ, but maybe reel it back in and check out your next door families; be outside a little more on purpose for the sake of maybe getting to see, to talk, to just share your lives with the guy working on his lawnmower, the kid who plays outside constantly, the lady who sits on her porch for a short while each day.

Have you drawn a map of your neighborhood? I dare you to do it, put it on your fridge and see what God will do in the next month of summer in your neighborhood.

“Ah” you say, “I live out of town”. Maybe neighbors is neighbors in your work environment, the cubicles, or the people you work beside day in and day out, maybe it is the ones you constantly see at the store, the employee or the family. Whatever...

Maybe the question is not so much to even ask who is my neighbor, but to be asking “Am I neighborly?”

Let the grilling, and the leaf raking, and the lawn fertilizing, and the kid playing, and the chatting, and loving as a family to other families begin!

## The Mission of HSBC

**H**onor God’s Truth

**S**hare the Gospel

**B**uild Believers

**C**are for Others

**T**HERE is *nothing* more  
*unchristian* than the *solitary*

*Christian.*

JOHN WESLEY

# Worship in the Park

Sunday, August 28th  
Rotary Park



Our full Wednesday Evening Programming begins September 7<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will begin being served at 5:45 p.m. with Tim King manning the kitchen crew.

Here's a preview of what is being planned for 6:30 for adults:

- ◆ Pastor Charles will lead a co-ed adult study, *God Quest*, featuring apologist Sean McDowell. The six weekly topics include defining truth, evidence for God and creation, the Bible, the existence of evil, Jesus, Christianity and other religions.

- ◆ Lillie Mack will lead a women's study, *Made to Crave*, by Lysa TerKeust. This study uncovers the missing link between a woman's desire to be healthy and the spiritual empowerment necessary to make it happen. It will help you develop healthy eating patterns and find spiritual satisfaction.

- ◆ Prayer Group

- ◆ A men's study is a possibility

Plan now on making Wednesday nights at church part of your fall schedule.



Hello Everyone,

As fall is quickly approaching, I am looking for people who will be willing to serve the children of our church during our Wednesday night programming, which will begin in September.

To ensure consistency and a chance to bond and form a relationship with the children of our church, I would like to fill month long slots in the nursery and preschool classroom. It is amazing the impact you can have on these amazing kids by just devoting four Wednesdays of your time to lead them closer to Christ.

These kids are the future of our church and are in the process of leading Christ into their hearts as they mature and grow in faith, wouldn't it feel great to be a part of that life-changing decision!!!

Please contact me if you would like to volunteer!

Wishing you love, light and blessings always,

*Tabitha Cleaver*

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



WOW! What a week we had in New York City! God blessed Hamilton Street Baptist Church with 135 learners registered and 59 volunteers. Eight learners accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior! Praise the Lord!

THANK YOU to everyone that helped with VBS this year. Your donations of food, supplies, and time made this ministry possible.

We had AMAZING kitchen staff, FANTASTIC leaders and helpers, SUPER helpful registration volunteers, and a SPARKLING clean-up crew.

Thank you again for the prayers and donations!

And, so you can mark your calendars, VBS 2012 is July 8-12!

*Cheryl Flaim and Sara Elsea*

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Charles Jackson - Pastor  
 Jim Barnett - Interim 8:30 am Music Minister  
 Ben Austic - Interim 11 am Music Minister  
 Cheryl Flaim - Minister of Youth & Family  
 Kay Shelby - Administrative Secretary

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 U.S. POSTAGE  
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 Kirksville, MO  
 PERMIT NO. 145  
**Return Service Requested**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28**  
**ROTARY PARK AMPITHEATRE**

11:00 A.M.  
 Worship

NOON  
 Free Lunch



**WORSHIP**  
**IN THE**  
**PARK**

**SERVICE TIMES**

Sunday:      8:30 a.m.      Traditional Worship  
                   9:45 a.m.      Bible Study  
                   11:00 a.m.     Contemporary Worship  
                   5:00 p.m.      Choir Rehearsal  
                   6:00 p.m.      Worship  
 Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.      Prayer  
                   6:30 p.m.      Co-ed Adult Study  
    Youth @ PC Mills Park

**Looking Forward**

- September      Rheubin L. South Missouri Missions Offering Month
- September 5      Labor Day, Office Closed
- September 7      Wednesday Night Programming Begins
- September 15-17, 19-20      Olan Mills Portraits Taken
- September 18      Back to Church Sunday Association Annual Meeting
- September 25      Budget Requests Due
- October      Pastor Appreciation Month
- October 2      Sunday School High Attendance Month
- October 30      Sunday School High Attendance Day
- Carry-In Lunch for Pastor Appreciation Day