

# Idylwood



# PANORAMA

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***Idylwood Presbyterian Church is a welcoming Christian congregation. Thankful for God's grace and enlivened by the Holy Spirit, we aspire to demonstrate the inclusive and expansive love of Jesus Christ to neighbors near and far.***



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Dear friends,

Earlier this summer, Caroline had the opportunity to go on a trip with her grandparents through the Road Scholar program. The three of them spent a week in Puerto Rico, snorkeling, hiking and zip lining through the rainforest. They had a great time, but her siblings were very happy to have her home. In fact, Margaret made a sign for the front door that said "Welcome Home, We Missed You."

The funny thing is, we've kept that sign up ever since. It's been that kind of summer—we've had camps, swim meets, another grandparent visit for the younger two, sleepovers, a writing retreat for me, an IPC lake retreat, and a trip to Maine. It seems like there was always somebody coming and going, and whether I was returning from the grocery store or 10 days of vacation, it was lovely to read those words and know: *here is a place where we are loved and accepted.*

"You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in you." These words from St. Augustine will often flit through my mind. Wherever we go, and whatever life throws our way, God is our true home. And wherever we feel that sense of "home," we know that God is there.

I expect the next few weeks to be a homecoming of sorts at IPC. Lots of folks have been traveling this summer, and it will be nice to have a sanctuary that's more full in September. And our 100th anniversary on October 12 will be a wonderful homecoming for friends near and far to help us celebrate our centennial.

Where do you feel a sense of home? I hope IPC is one of those places.

In Christ,

## Worship Schedule

This fall we are following the "narrative lectionary," a preaching schedule which will take us through key stories in the Old Testament. We will move to the New Testament in the spring.

Sept. 7, 2014 — Flood and Promise  
Genesis 6:16-22; 9:8-15



Sept. 14, 2014 — Call of Abraham  
Genesis 12:1-9

Sept. 21, 2014 — Joseph in Prison  
Genesis 39:1-23

Sept. 28, 2014 — Rescue at Sea  
Exodus 14:10-14, 21-29

## First Sunday "Study & Snack" After church - For All Ages!

This fall, in conjunction with our new worship schedule listed in adjoining column, we begin a new gathering for study, conversation and fellowship. Plan to stay after church on the first Sunday of each month, when we will share in Bible study of the upcoming week's preaching texts.

Children will have a separate activity upstairs, with youth and adults learning together as a group. Sessions will be about 45 minutes and will be taught by MaryAnn Dana and other church leaders.

Folks are encouraged to bring a healthy "substantial" snack to share for this extended time of fellowship—something that curbs hunger but doesn't require a fork.

Examples: hummus and veggies/pita, cheese and crackers, trail mix, fruit.



## Prayer List

### Joys:

Nancy Budny: new job  
Florence Wester: home after recent fall

### Concerns:

Cecilia Brammer: Iliff Nursing Home  
Annemarie Collat: passed away  
Emily Whitaker: father passed away  
Doug Roark's friend Ken: stage 4 liver cancer  
All those looking for work  
Amy Moore's friend Tina: cancer  
Cecilia Brammer, Linda Tang: grief  
George Petras's aunt and uncle: assisted living  
Carol Shuh: pulmonary illness  
Doug Roark's former wife Diane: breast cancer  
Alison French: chronic illness  
Linda Dono's brother;  
Steve Allen's son -- healing and wholeness for all.



## September Dedication Chancel Flowers

**September 7**

**Loving Memory of John Kelso.  
Love Willa & Kate**

**September 14**

**September 21**

**Happy Birthday Rachel  
The Osmans**

**September 28**

**In memory of our beloved son  
Wally. All our love Virginia**

## Chancel Flowers

On the Upton room bulletin board you will find a flower sign up sheet for all of 2014. Some Sundays have been signed up for but many remain unclaimed. Won't you volunteer to provide flowers for one or two Sundays or perhaps more?? I think you would agree the Falls Church Florist provides us wonderful beautiful flowers for the Chancel each Sunday and a very reasonable price of \$30 which includes delivery. Please sign up today and indicate to what honor that you dedicate the flowers too. Every Sunday that is not sponsored comes out of the Larrick fund and is indicated "To the Glory of God". We are also still looking for someone to manage the flower effort if you are at all interested please contact Dana Opp [rdopp3@gmail.com](mailto:rdopp3@gmail.com)



*save the date*

**Sunday October 12, 2014**

***Idylwood Presbyterian Church  
Celebrates 100 Years***

Marco Polo Banquet Hall  
245 Maple Avenue West  
Vienna, Virginia 22180  
4:00 pm ~ 7:00 pm  
[www.MarcoPoloCaterers.com](http://www.MarcoPoloCaterers.com)

*Deacons are making sure everyone has a ride! Contact us.*

Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, Carved at the Buffet Accompanied with Horseradish Cream and Shiitake Mushroom Sauce  
Breast of Chicken Scaloppini Piccata with Artichoke Hearts Topped with Lemon Butter Sauce  
Jumbo Shrimp Topped with Crabmeat

Rosemary Roasted Potatoes  
Grilled Medley of Vegetables

## The Menu

Cascade of Seasonal Sliced Fruits  
Chop Salad: Romaine, Cucumber, Tomato, Celery and Crumbled Blue Cheese  
Drizzled with Homemade Italian Vinaigrette  
Assorted Sliced Breads, Rolls and Butter

Assorted Homemade Pastries and Chocolate Covered Strawberries

Fresh Brewed Regular Coffee  
Fresh Brewed Decaffeinated Coffee





T4: Thursday Theology Talk... on Tap  
 September 18th, 7:30 p.m.  
 1690 Anderson Road  
 McLean, VA 22102  
 703-356-5678



Our monthly informal series on matters of faith resumes at the Lost Dog Cafe in McLean. Open Conversation! No topic, just food and friends and wherever the conversation takes us. Come for a drink or milkshake, appetizer or dinner, or just good conversation.



Sunday mornings we love having our youngest visitor, Baby Diana, join us with her parents, Isaac and Theresa.



Our next book group  
**Starting up this Fall after church**

Do you have a suggestion for an upcoming book discussion? Let MaryAnn Dana know. We will resume in the fall!

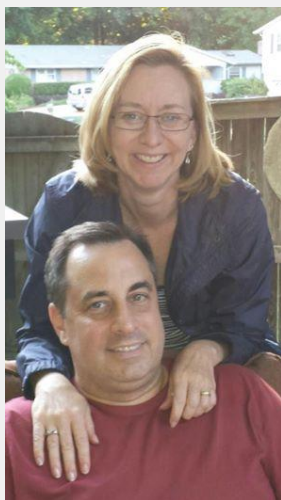
For the next Panorama I would like to thank all of the Washington Post Magazine readers for sharing the article on Ned at Skydive Orange.

See you Sunday.  
 Love,  
 Virginia



### Rides

If you need a ride to church please call **Don Palmer** before 6pm on Friday  
 Cell: 571-232-0335.



Cara and Steve Dobbins celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary August 26, 2014



Richard	Williams	4-Sep
Julie	Rickett	15-Sep
Ceresa	Haney	14-Sep
Sally	Moore	19-Sep
Jim	Shaw	20-Sep
Megan	Dobbins	22-Sep
Rachel	Osman.	22-Sep
Rachel	Shaw	24-Sep
Daniel	Caracciolo	28-Sep
Justin	Collat	29-Sep

### *Birthdays This Month*

The Deacons are working hard to get our birthday list accurate. If we miss a birthday or the date is wrong. Let us know!

# Deacon's Corner

On behalf of the deacons of IPC, I'd like to wish everyone a happy and healthy month of September 2014. As the song says: "Summertime done come and gone, my oh my." Soon it will be October and our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

In accordance with my purpose to keep you informed with what the deacons are doing, I'm proud to let you know that we helped with the reception prior to the memorial for Annemarie Collat on July 26<sup>th</sup>. She had had a remarkable life and we were glad to help in our way for the memorial.

Also, we will be helping with rides to the anniversary dinner on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

As stated in the July newsletter, the deacons made a generous contribution to Hyacinth's Place. Those of you attended the July 27 service will remember we had a speaker, Urla Barrow, and a presentation regarding this organization. The deacon's fund is used for contributions to worthy causes to help those less fortunate and this one certainly is worthy. The plight of the homeless is indeed sad, but can even be worse for those with mental problems. Hyacinth's Place seeks to provide assistance to homeless women who have mental illness.

As the speaker that Sunday began her brief talk about Hyacinth's Place, the name Hyacinth reminded me of the main character from "Keeping up Appearances" which is one of my favorites TV comedies. Although her subject was very serious, I was briefly distracted by humorous thoughts of this show. But as our speaker continued, I soon remembered something that happened about 23 years ago as I was riding the metro home to Vienna after a very long day. I had worked late so the rush hour was over and there were very few people on the subway car. There was a young woman sitting in the seat in front of me. She suddenly turned around and began talking to me. Early on in our conversation, which consisted mostly of her talking and me nodding my head, I realized that she was not sane as we would normally define it. Now, as we all know, there are people in this world who are supposedly sane who start wars, destroy nature, cheat the poor, and spread hatred every day, so sanity is a somewhat relative matter; but she was saying some things to me that made no sense all. She claimed to be the Virgin Mary and also that she was married to Michael Jackson. I began to feel a uncomfortable, not threatened, just uncomfortable. I'm ashamed to say I was more than a little relieved when she got off the train a few stops before mine. But later I asked myself "what happens to people like her?" I don't know if she was homeless or not. I never saw her on the metro since then but I have seen many homeless people since then, as we all have. Remembering that experience made me realize how important it is the help when we have the opportunity. Thanks to Hyacinth's Place for providing that opportunity!

I hope that the new month provides rich opportunities for everyone at IPC to help others and spread the joy of our faith.

By Don Palmer



# Jacob's Backpack Brigade

Jacob would be super proud!!



Thank you to everyone who participated in Jacob's Backpack Brigade 2014. Between financial donations and supply donations, we managed to fill backpacks for all 17 kids referred to us by Lemon Road. And this equals more than 500 actual supply items!!

We would also like to thank the Pimmit Hills Safeway, which donated reusable grocery bags so that the kids could pick their own backpacks and Eagle Bank for its incredibly generous financial contribution. Due to the overwhelming response we will also be contributing money to the Power Pack effort here at IPC which will benefit these same children by providing food packs for them to take home over the weekend.



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## Power Packs at Lemon Road Elementary School

Did you know that our PowerPacks benefit children right in our neighborhood? We used to send these items to Food for Others, which distributed them as needed throughout Northern Virginia. Now we are partnering directly with Lemon Road Elementary School, which receives and distribute the IPC packs each week.

PowerPacks are gallon-sized ziplock bags filled with non-perishable food items. These packs are given on Fridays to children who participate in the school lunch program, so they will have adequate food over the weekend. Many thanks to David Morgan for his leadership in the PowerPacks and to him and Leslie Osman for helping us strengthen our partnership with Lemon Road.



## Third Sunday Musician

### Michael Yugo - vocals, guitar

Michael is a singer/songwriter from Gary, Indiana. He got his start in San Diego's music scene under the mentorship of "Hot Rod" Harris before moving to Washington D.C. in 2006. His influences include Jackson Browne, Bruce Springsteen, Dan Layus, Jason Isbell, Neil Finn and Kellis David McDonald. He main guitars are his Martin HD28 and Tele. He reads, runs, dives, camps and is married to his best friend.



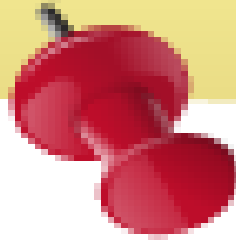
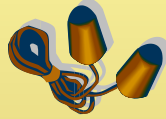
### Join the Choir This Season

Our choir is a friendly group and we welcome all singers. You do not need to read music, just enjoy the fellowship of other singers. The choir meets before church at 9:45. We would love to have you! Come and make a joyful noise to the Lord.

Thank you to two of our soloist from our summer musical volunteers. Linda Dono and Joel Cline



IPC Calendar is on-line at  
<http://www.idylwoodpresbyterian.org/calendar/>  
SERMON PODCAST: Sermons are now available via  
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