

Friends,

What a beautiful day of worship and fellowship yesterday. The church service was beautiful (and short!) and the time at the Asheville Tourist game was so much fun! Be sure to check out our Facebook page to see some pictures.

Unfortunately, when I returned from the baseball game yesterday I found that someone had gotten into the church office and taken some money. While the amount of money was not a huge amount, the violation of someone entering our building and stealing is painful.

Moving forward, the board is working vigilantly to make sure this does not happen again. We are implementing a number of new security measures to ensure the safety of all who come to this space and to make sure the money collected is as secure as possible.

Let me be clear: **your safety and the safety of all who use this beautiful space is our top concern.** We will do all that we can to continue to care for everyone who comes in mind, body and spirit.

I am asking that you pray with me for whoever may have done this. We really don't know how or why someone would have stolen from us, but we know that to steal from a church there must be a level of pain in their lives. So I pray for them, and I hope you will too.

Nevertheless, God is with us. God is continuing to work in and through our lives. Please consider joining us for a number of wonderful events we have going on this week!

Check them out below.

We especially hope you will join us for worship next Sunday (**and wear something red for Pentecost!**). The Preschool will be in worship and we will have a time of fellowship/celebration immediately after worship.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Cole