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UPCOMING EVENTS

- First Wednesday in The Word—April 2
- PW Circle Meetings—April 8
- FunTimers Ages 18-54 Music Bingo Night—April 9
- Hearts for Summerville Picnic—April 12
- Easter Egg Hunt—April 19
- Church Office Closed—April 21
- Ladies Luncheon—April 24
- FunTimers Ages 55+ Team Trivia Night—April 24
- Hands of Christ "Sock Drop Sunday"—April 27
- Doty Park Easter Dinner in the Park—April 27

FROM THE PASTOR



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Who would ever have dreamed that our Mothers Morning Out ministry would be such a robust ministry a little over a year into its operation? I'm sure God knew, and I can see how so many things fell into place according to his

timing. Currently, we have 62 students attending our program, and have 52 students already registered for the fall! An expanded schedule (two, three and four-day options) will enable us to serve as many as 68 children. I can't tell you how joyful it is during the week to see children out on the playground, blowing bubbles in the courtyard, or riding their scooters across the gym.

I am excited that Rebecca and her staff have a vision for a Christ-centered program, with plenty of opportunities for children to hear Bible stories and learn Bible songs. I have no doubt that children will go home knowing they are loved by God, and I am hopeful that SPC will continue to strengthen bonds with these families, and in the future, we will welcome some of them into our church family.

One of the texts I recently preached about was Peter's decision to step out of the boat, taking a leap of faith to walk toward Jesus, and what happened when he took his eyes off of Him. This is always what a church must do—keep our eyes fixed upon Jesus and His call for us to make and grow disciples of Jesus Christ. As long as we are faithful to that task and make that our main mission, then I believe we will

experience what the Corinthian church did, where Paul said "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase."

(1 Corinthians 3:6).

In Christ's service, Pastor Anita



Sermon Series



This month we conclude our "Wandering Heart" sermon series as we move toward the climax of Jesus' earthly ministry. We have been viewing faith and discipleship through the story of Peter. In March we have seen how Peter is quick to acknowledge that there is something that compels him to follow Jesus and even leaps out of a boat on a raging sea to go toward him. As the representative disciple willing to voice both his praise and his doubts, we see how he struggles to understand Jesus' true mission.

On April 6 we have a story that depicts Peter's continued eagerness to be taught, then on April 13, Palm Sunday, he will join the other disciples in singing songs of loudest praise. On Maundy Thursday, April 17, as has become our tradition, we will offer a unique worship service in the gym, combining events from both the Last Supper and Peter's denial later that evening. Here Peter will truly exhibit the tendency that is in all of us: "prone to leave the God I love." The choir will offer their Lenten cantata on April 18, Good Friday.

Easter Sunday, April 20, offers us the hope of the resurrection, which Peter demonstrates by running to the tomb to see if what they have been told by the women really is true. And then, on April 27, in a beautiful act of grace, Jesus will restore Peter to his position as the disciple who will carry Jesus' mission forward. Peter presents his heart to Jesus—will you?

| <u>Date</u> | Special Day | Focus/Title | Scripture(s) | Themes/Ideas | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|--|--|
| 4/6/25 | Lent 5 | "Teach me" | Psalm 119:9-16 | Peter asks Jesus to explain a parable about | | |
| | | | Matthew 15:10-20 | what truly defiles a person. | | |
| 4/13/25 | Palm Sunday | "Songs of loudest | John 12:12-16 | Peter is with the other disciples entering | | |
| | | praise" | | the city of Jerusalem, singing songs that are | | |
| | | | | subversive, courageous and contagious. | | |
| 4/17/25 | Maundy Thursday | "Streams of mercy" | John 13:1-20 | Peter is reluctant to have Jesus wash his | | |
| | (7:00 pm) | | | feet, then enthusiastically embraces it. | | |
| | | "Prone to leave the | John 13:36-38, 18:1- | Peter draws his sword to defend Jesus, then | | |
| | | God I love" | 11, 15-18, 25-27 | denies him. | | |
| 4/18/25 | Good Friday Cantata (7:30 pm) | | | | | |
| 4/20/25 | Easter | "And I hope" | Luke 24:1-12 | Peter runs to the tomb to see if the | | |
| | | • | | women's story is true. | | |
| 4/27/25 | | "Here's my heart" | John 21:1-19 | Peter's restoration. | | |

WORSHIP



Here is what is happening in the world of music at SPC ...

In April we will celebrate Holy Week. This is one of the most profound, dramatic and important weeks for us in the church when we commemorate the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We encourage you to attend all of the services that week as you really don't get the full story from Palm Sunday to Easter without going to the garden and the cross in between.

Jewel Tones will be featured in the Maundy Thursday service and will offer the beautiful anthem "Arise My Soul, Arise" by Dan Forrest. Then on Friday the Chancel Choir will present the Good Friday Lenten Cantata. We will be presenting "The Living Last Words of Christ" by Ruth Elaine Schram. In this dramatic and powerful work, the composer imagines the responses of other witnesses at Calvary, creating short dramatic monologues for each: the contemptuous soldier; the crucified thief's sympathetic sibling; the scornful priest; the anguished shepherd who remembers Jesus' miraculous birth; the grieving mother of Christ; and the heartbroken disciple, searching for answers. The cantata will feature seven readers, full choir and instrumentalists. You don't want to miss this profound retelling of the crucifixion. Finally, the bells will ring and brass will play glorious fanfares as we celebrate the empty tomb on Easter morning! Come and worship with us.

Looking ahead to the summer, we have chosen "Life of the Party: The Story of Mary and Martha" for our Music and Drama Camp play. This musical for young voices from the writing team of Allen Pote and Tom Long is a humorous telling of the stories of Mary and Martha in the gospels. Family conflict, making time for Jesus in the midst of hectic lives, and trusting God when things get tough are the themes that are addressed with both lighthearted humor and poignant drama. Staging requirements are minimal; performance time is 30 minutes. Camp will be held July 21-25, and auditions will be held June 23-24. Registration is open through the church website, and we need LOTS of volunteers to make this happen as well! We hope to see you there.

As always, please reach out to me at summervillepresmusic@gmail.com if you are interested in getting involved in the music ministry at SPC.

William Bennett

Director of Music

Contemporary Music

As we approach the joyful season of Easter, our hearts are filled with excitement! This special time of year reminds us of the hope and renewal that comes with the resurrection of Jesus.

We invite you to join us to celebrate this occasion. Our Contemporary Service will be a vibrant and uplifting experience, filled with music, worship and fellowship.

Come make a joyful noise with us at 10AM!

Julia Miller and Joe Swisher

Co-Directors of Contemporary Worship







THAT EASTER DAY WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT

Here is another new hymn for our congregation to become familiar with. But can a hymn from the 5th and 15th centuries really be considered "new"?

The verse was translated from a 5th century Latin hymn by John Mason Neal (1818-1866). Neal was an Anglican priest, scholar and hymn writer. He included obscure medieval hymns in his writings. Among his most famous hymns is "Good King Wenceslas," set on St. Stephen's Day.

Neal was born in London where his father was a clergyman. His younger sister, Elizabeth, founded the Community of the Holy Cross, a religious order which worked with the poor around the London docks.

He was educated at Trinity College. Even though he was said to be the best classical scholar in his year, he was prevented from graduating with an honors degree because of his lack of ability in mathematics. He held various church positions but was also very interested in church architecture. He founded a society for more ritual and religious decorations in churches.

Neal had a chronic lung infection which made him resign from a church position and winter in the Madeira islands. In 1854 he co-founded the Society of Saint Margaret, an order in the Church of England dedicated to nursing the sick. At that time, many Protestants were suspicious of the restoration of religious orders. Neal was attacked at the funeral of one of the sisters. Crowds threatened to stone him and burn his house.

Neal was strongly "high church" and had to endure a good deal of opposition, even from his bishop. He translated many ancient and medieval hymns from Latin and Greek which made English-speaking congregations aware of centuries-old hymns.

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621) contributed the music for this hymn. He was a German composer, organist and music theorist. Son of a Lutheran pastor, he studied divinity and philosophy at the University of Frankfurt.

After his musical education Praetorius became an organist. He incorporated modern Italian performance practices which led to his choral works being popular even to the present day. He composed the familiar harmonization of "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming."

Praetorius died at only 49 years of age, but during his time on earth he left a large impression on choral music.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Mothers Morning Out Update

Hello, everyone, and happy April! We are eager to start back after our spring break.

A special thank-you to Shawn Blunt (pictured at right) for volunteering to read to our students for Read Across America!

We are looking forward to all

the themes in April, such as Easter, Flowers, and Spring on the Farm. I expect to see lots of baby animals in the weeks to come! We are also excited about the fundraiser for the MMO program with the Flowertown Festival parking.

April also brings excitement for the great outdoors! We are planning for our five weeks of themed Summer Camps. More on that to come.

Thank you for your encouragement and prayers as we enter into this new season of growth.

Blessings,

Rebecca Mills

Director of Children's Ministry and Mothers Morning Out



Joy Kids (Sundays 4:30 pm)

April Moods

We had a fantastic March Madness event. The month of April will be a fun one as we count down to Easter and the Easter Egg Hunt on April 19.



Children's Sunday School (Sundays 10:00 am)

Each week children will explore:

The Garden of Eden – Where sin began, but grace was promised. (Genesis 1-3)

The Garden of Gethsemane – Jesus' prayer of surrender.

(Luke 22:39-46)

The Resurrection Garden – Victory over death!

(John 20:1-18)

The Garden of Growth – Staying connected to Jesus.

(John 15:5)

The Garden Restored – God's final promise. (Revelation 21-22)





PIRITUAL GROWTH & OUTREACH



Jennifer Grainger **Director of Spiritual** Growth & Outreach

Maundy Thursday April 17, 2025

Join us for an interactive worship experience as we prepare for the death of the Savior. This service will end with Communion 7pm, in the Gym

"Do this in remembrance of me'



ATTENTION Small Group Opportunity

It's not too late to join a small group! Scan the QR code below and Jennifer will help you get involved with a

SPC Youth Calendar

4/6: Youth Sunday Planning 4/13: King of Kings- the movie Meet at Regal Azalea Square at 3:30pm; bring money for snacks 4/20: Easter Sunday; No Youth 4/27: Destination Unknown

5/4: Pickleball Pandemonium with

JoyKids

5/11: Youth Sunday Run-Through

5/18: Youth Sunday/Senior Sunday

and Church Picnic;

no youth group

5/25: No Youth Group- Memorial Day

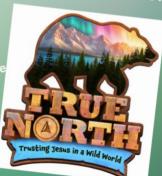
Weekend

6/1: End of School Year celebration

during Sunday School

Unless otherwise noted, youth meets from 4:30-5:45pm

Openings available for ages 4yrscompleted 5th grade Registration is limited!



Use the QR Code to sign up!



VBS WILL BE HELD IN A NEW 3 DAY FORMAT, JUNE 2-4, 2025, FROM 9AM-1PM DAILY UNCH WILL BE PROVIDED





















CONGREGATIONAL CARE THANK YOUS



To the kind members of the Congregational Care Group, Thank you for your kind and thoughtful gift of the beautiful shawl! What a wonderful ministry. What a wonderful message of its ministry: a sign of healing and His presence, care and comfort, and a certain source of warmth. And an added plus: my favorite shade of blue. May God continue to

bless each of you and your wonderful ministry...blessings, love and peace, Mev Shieder (sister of Shawn Blunt)

Dear Friends, Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers. They are perfectly arranged with a very nice assortment. I have enjoyed them daily. With love, Rosemary

Dear Friends at SPC, Thank you for the beautiful vase of flowers Lisa brought me on Monday following my recent surgery. My sister and I really enjoyed them this week. Your thoughtfulness means so much. I am blessed to have such a caring church family. God bless all of you. Virginia (Ginny) Lyles

Dear Congregational Care Committee, Jon and I both wanted to thank you for your thoughtfulness on the death of my brother-in-law recently. The flowers and note meant a lot to us. We thank you especially for Suzanne's delivery of the flowers and Sheila's very thoughtful card. It is very special to be part of a caring church family. Thank you so much, Jon and Louise Rockstad

Dear Shawn, Barb, Merrilyn, Ingrid, Barbara, Sharon, Rose, Suzanne, Jim, Elaine, Kathi, Pastor and Sheila, Thank you for the beautiful flowers you blessed my MMO office with! They so brightened my day and week. Rebecca

Thank You Note to Congregational Care, I want to thank you for the lovely flowers that Suzanne brought me a couple of weeks ago. I enjoyed her visit as much as the flowers. I am still enjoying the shawl when I lie down for my naps. I had broken two ribs which were very sore for at least a couple of months. They are much better now. I will always remember my time working with CCC as it is so important in helping us old folks. Anne Bradsher

Dear Church Family, Thank you once again for the flowers, visits and cards as we continue to pray for Mark. It has been a long road, but I know God is in charge. Prayers and love to you all. God bless you all, Mark and Fran

Dear Barbara and Tom, Thank you so much for bringing us your delicious chicken soup and homemade biscuits! We both loved all of it and appreciate your kindness. We luckily have enough for supper tonight and another time. Last night's was luscious! Love, Sally (and Lionel!)

Dear Congregational Care Team, Thank you so much for the gorgeous and fragrant bouquet of flowers delivered by my deacon Sandi Hess. Also thanks for the nice card that arrived on February 6th—exactly one year from when my Bell's Palsy started. I still cannot close my right eye or make tears in that eye. Please keep up your helpful prayers. God bless each of you. Love, Nancy J. Fleury

To my Church Family at Summerville Presbyterian, I cannot tell you how wonderful it is to belong to such a caring and loving church community. I want to especially thank Pastor Anita and each and every person who visited, sent cards and flowers. and prayed for me. I appreciate all of your well wishes. I am doing so much better and I look forward to seeing everyone in person in church in the near future. Feeling blessed. Much love, Patty Kitchens

Dear Church Family, Thank you for the flowers, cards and prayers during the last six months of Tom's surgery and treatments. A special thanks to the Congregational Care Team and deacons and for phone calls from Pastor Anita. I appreciate your continued support. Lynn Finucan

Summerville Presbyterian, Many thanks for the cards, flowers and prayers during my hospitalization battling pneumonia and Covid. Recovery is slow, but getting out more is happening. The online church service has been a blessing, and I look forward to worshipping in person with my church family again soon. Sincerely, Marie Lee

Dear Congregational Care, Thank you very much for the flowers Suzanne brought me when my brother-in-law died at the end of February. He was like a brother to me. I was six years old when he and my sister started dating and eight when they got married. He had a fulfilling life, and we will miss him very much. Sincerely, Debbie Lindsay

To Congregational Care Committee and Prayer Shawl Group. Dear caring ladies, Thank you so much for the pretty blue prayer shawl. It was very touching when Suzanne brought it to me at The Village. I love the color and especially the size—not huge! I'm usually warm-natured, so just a small cover is plenty. Just thinking of the hours you all spend thinking of those who are hurting and suffering the loss of a loved one, makes me pause to pray for you. Thank you for your prayers. I'm getting better and stronger each day. Butch Chastain

To the Congregational Care Committee, Thank you so much for the love and support after the death of my grandma. The prayer shawl is beautiful and warm, the flowers delivered by Barbara were beautiful, and the reception was wonderful. I am so lucky to be surrounded by such an amazing church family. Thank you, Kelli Kemmerer and Family



GRIEFSHARE STARTS A NEW 13-WEEK SESSION THURSDAYS, APRIL 24-JULY 17, 7-8:30 PM IN THE DORCHESTER ROOM. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT BILL DEMEREST OR THE CHURCH OFFICE.

NURTURE



I am so blessed to be part of a congregation that shows such love and compassion to those in need within our SPC family. As in all families though, there are those that might not know what is going on with some of their relatives. With that in mind, I am proposing to set up an email list to keep us informed, and if feeling led, to send a card, make a call, etc.

There are those within our family that could use a card of encouragement from more of us, especially if we know them. I feel sometimes inadequate due to the fact that I still do not know a lot of our SPC family, especially those in The Village.

In the future, we can also think of sending cards to support some other ministries within this church, MMO families, etc., and then even further reaching out to our community such as those that come to Hands of Christ, so that they know they are loved beyond that particular day.

I would love to hear your feedback and any further insights you might have by email, phone or text. I look forward to witnessing Our Lord's love continuing to show forth in His Body through this ministry.

Blessings, Ingrid Don Ingrid.don@hotmail.com



Easter Memorials and Honorariums

If you would like to make a donation toward the purchase of Easter lilies for our church, either in memory of or in honor of someone, please complete the form in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office. The memorials and honorariums will be published in the bulletin on Palm Sunday.



Has it really been five years since our New Member Shepherds began offering a personal welcome to new members? Time does fly when you're having fun! Since the Shepherding ministry, under Nurture, first began in 2020, our Shepherds have welcomed more than 100 new members. While attending Inquiry Classes, prospective members are asked why they decided to join SPC and their answer most often is "because everyone was so warm and welcoming." Shepherds add another warm personal welcome once they become members.

As you may know, SPC Shepherds are matched with new members of similar age, interests and family structure and have the happy job of delivering our hand-crafted welcome bag filled with church information and freshbaked goods (supplied by our own Diane Dunham and Carol Ploth). It's a short-term commitment and a satisfying one. Shepherds will tell you they love the opportunity to get to know new members and, in many cases, form lasting friendships.

Are you interested in becoming a Shepherd? For more information, please contact Barb Grube.

LENTEN CARENOTES

ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE AND THE WELCOME CENTERS ON THE CARENOTES RACK.

Below is a list of the Lenten CareNotes we have:

- Praying the Bible During Lent
- Lenten Prayer for Renewal
- Lent-A Time to Pray for Others
- A Lenten Journey Through Grief
- Lenten Prayer Card
- 40 Ways to Enrich Your Lenten Prayer



ERVICE & OUTREACH



Your **Hands of Christ** Hands of leadership team has been hard at work laying the foundation of our August

4th distribution. We are currently accepting clothing, school supplies and backpacks but want to highlight some specific areas of greater need: boys and girls clothing size 2-4T; socks and underwear from 2T-adult small, including sizes 16-20; glue sticks; scissors; pencil boxes and pouches; ear buds; 3-prong pocket folders; boys and girls new and used clothing in sizes 16-20, especially stretchy basketball style shorts. In a few months, we will be recruiting numerous volunteers, so mark your calendars for August 3-4 for setup and the giveaway. Please note that in order to protect the privacy of the children we are serving, volunteers will need to be at least in 7th grade. We will have a nursery available for volunteers' children from baby to 2nd grade. We are so thankful for your generous support of Undie Sunday last month and Sock Drop on April 27. It truly does take a village and we are grateful that you are ours!

Hearts for Summerville—Five years ago, students and teachers left school on a beautiful Friday afternoon only to later learn that the schools would be closed for an unspecified length of time. Uncertainty, fear, and confusion replaced the consistency they had become accustomed to. When the schools shuttered their doors, so did many resources, including food pantries, food trucks and food giveaway programs. It was just a week later that our founder, Cindy, got a call from one of the kids she knew from volunteering with the free food truck asking for food because they were hungry and the truck wasn't coming. Cindy posted a plea on Facebook asking if anyone had any snacks to donate that she would take into this neighborhood, knowing that there were a dozen kids who depended on that food truck. I happened to meet Cindy as she was loading her car and I was bringing a bag of groceries to donate. "Come with me," she both asked and demanded. That week we visited 35 children, but kept finding more as we saw them in the neighborhoods and talked to families who knew of someone in need. By the time summer came, we had close to 150 kids we visited each week, going out every night for a couple hours. Now, five years later, we still deliver two to three nights a week and have more than 650 kids on our active roster.

Over the past five years we have helped provide Thanksgiving meal baskets and Christmas gifts, which is now our annual Christmas party. For the past three years we have invited our school-aged children to come shop with us for a new pair of school shoes. We have seen babies born and unfortunately said goodbye to one of our littles. We have had a number of high school graduations with nine going to a

university for higher education. We have given out thousands of books and snack bags and can't count high enough for the pounds of groceries we've distributed or the hugs we've received. We are so grateful to be here five years later and to see our kids growing up. We are also so very thankful to SPC for being such a huge supporter and advocate. We will be celebrating our fifth birthday with a cookout at Ashley River Park on April 12 from 3-6 pm. We invite all of you to swing by, grab a hot dog and fellowship with the families who you have impacted. Just text me to let me know you are coming so I can make sure we have enough food. (843-324-5133)

Heather Kemble





FELLOWSHIP & MISC



Food to nourish your body, Jesus to nourish your soul

DOTY PARK EASTER DINNER APRIL 27 @ 1:00 PM

CONTACT VICKY METHOT FOR MORE INFO.



By Ezekiel W. Mouse, Esq. Special to 3rd Chronicles

"Ezekiel, you hear it a lot at church about being a church family, but not as much about SPC being a person's church home. Of course, the church is really God's home, but He wants everyone to make it their home also."

"You are right Mary, a person's home is where they eat, sleep and do their daily chores. How can SPC be a real church home then?"

"Well, the eating part is easy to answer. Presbyterians are known for eating every time they meet! But, really, there are many times we meet around the table: WNL, church breakfasts, dining out with church members through Salt Shakers, the monthly Ladies Luncheon, but most importantly when everyone is invited to the Lord's table for communion."

"As to doing daily chores, the church abounds in opportunities: helping with Sunday School and VBS, Mothers Morning Out, helping Julie in the office, singing in the choir, ringing bells, helping preserve our physical building and cemetery, and the list goes on and on."

"The last function of a home is harder to find—a place to sleep! Now I have heard of people occasionally listening to the sermon with their eyes closed, but with Pastor Anita and Pastor Ralph both being such good preachers, I find it hard to believe anyone would be sleeping. It is conceivable that during a soothing anthem by the choir, that some may become drowsy and drift off, but this would not happen during February when Black History Month is celebrated with rousing spirituals! Maybe I will just have to say that people can find the comfort in church to leave their problems in the hands of the Lord, which will help them to rest better in their beds at night."

"It is true that SPC is God's house and He always greets everyone with a warm welcome and 'Glad you are here' every day!"



Thursday, April 24, 11:30 am
Sunrise Bistro
110 Miles Jamison Road, Summerville

Please contact Claudette Young at claudettemarieyoung@yahoo.com or by phone at (843) 991-1057 to confirm your attendance.



AGES 18-54 MUSIC BINGO NIGHT April 9 @ 7 pm

> AGES 55+ TRIVIA NIGHT April 24 @ 7 pm

BOTH EVENTS ARE AT THE FROTHY BEARD ON MAIN STREET.



CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC
SUNDAY, MAY 18, at 12 PM
(open area by the SPC playground)
Fellowship will provide meat.
Please bring a side dish or
dessert to share!

FINANCE & MISC



The offerings along with monies received for the use of facilities and the total expenses for the one month of February and Year to Date are as follows:

| | <u>Montnly</u> | <u>Year-to-Date</u> |
|------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Receipts | \$ 106,373.00 | \$220,851.00 |
| Expenses | \$ 108,153.00 | \$154,390.00 |
| Excess (deficit) | \$ (1,780.00) | \$ 66,461.00 |

Monthly Receipts and Expenses fluctuate, which has resulted in 2025 year-to-date excess revenues over expenses of \$66,461. January and February revenues reflect numerous IRA contributions which is consistent with the prior years; the result is a large excess which will be used throughout the year. The Finance Committee would like to thank everyone for financially supporting our church.



| Ray Doughty | 2 | Beverly Brunswig | 19 |
|-----------------|----|------------------|----|
| Sydney Heslop | 2 | Hilda Forbes | 20 |
| Frances Stonum | 2 | Lynn Finucan | 23 |
| Jeff Todd | 2 | John Miller | 24 |
| Modena DeBrosse | 3 | Candace Hayes | 25 |
| Joyce Bell | 4 | John Stoudenmire | 26 |
| Eileen Gregory | 5 | Kathi Ward | 26 |
| Jim Pelletier | 7 | Margaret Collins | 27 |
| Bentley Kemble | 8 | Anita Herbert | 28 |
| Gail Hausler | 12 | Hailey Selander | 28 |
| Sybil Collins | 14 | Margaret Browder | 29 |
| Tom Finucan | 14 | A.B. Burns | 29 |
| Kim Collins | 15 | Mark Stonum | 29 |
| Paul Hromoga | 15 | Bill Demerest | 30 |
| Renay Haton | 16 | Karen Fuller | 30 |
| Reagan Haton | 18 | Bob Hirsch | 30 |
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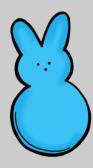
Presbyterian Women's Circle groups meet monthly on the 2nd Tuesday.

All women of the church are encouraged to join.

Lydia Circle—April 8, 11:00 am at Oscar's Restaurant

Miriam Circle—April 8, 1:00 pm in Lanneau Hall

Save the date for the PW Birthday Luncheon May 13, 11:00 am in Lanneau Hall



Clarence's Corner

Happy Spring, Friends! Spring has sprung, the sun is shining and the flowers are blooming! As I wait anxiously for Easter, I asked my Mommy "How do we get the date for Easter, and why is it not on the same date each year?" Mommy did some research and found out why.

Timeanddate.com says, "Easter falls on the first Sunday after the full moon date (based on mathematical calculations) that falls on or after March 21. If the full moon is on a Sunday, Easter is celebrated on the following Sunday."

So that's why the date of Easter varies but will always fall between March 22 and April 25.

I want to take a minute and remind you that my office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays. I love for friends to come see me, so please plan to stop by and say hello.

I wish all my church family a holy Lent and happy Easter season!

With Puppy Kisses for All,

Clarence

Congregational Care Dog



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE & SESSION UPDATE

HOLY WEEK









WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 13, Palm Sunday 8:45 am and 11:00 am - Traditional Services 10:00 am - Contemporary Service

Thursday, April 17, Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm - Communion Service (gym)

Friday, April 18, Good Friday 12:00-3:00 pm - Sanctuary open for prayer 7:30 pm - Cantata

> Saturday, April 19 10:00 am - Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 20, Easter 8:45 am and 11:00 am - Traditional Services 10:00 am - Contemporary Service

Session

Greetings!

Below are several items of interest from recent Session activity:

As required by the Book of Order, a financial review (either external or internal) is

required every year. SPC will alternate each year, with an internal review of our 2024 books recently conducted by church members with financial backgrounds. Their report was reviewed with Session and indicated no issues and all to be in proper order.

Session approved a second columbarium, to be located directly opposite the existing columbarium in the Education wing courtyard, with no additional columbarium(s) to be installed in this courtyard.

Session approved Elders to attend the Presbytery meetings for the remainder of the year. Given the size of our congregation, we are allowed to have two Elder Commissioners at each meeting.

If you have any questions, please feel free to see me or contact me at summervillepresclerk@gmail.com.

Blessings,

Oden Semones

Clerk of Session



Military Prayer List

- Michael Arnold, Army, Hunter Air Field, Savannah, GA (Nancy Piscatella's grandson)
- Cade Carpenter, USAF, Honolulu, HI;
 Zoë Carpenter, USAF, Scotts AFB, San Antonio, TX (Kathy Whittle's nephew and niece)
- Derek Craver (son of Don and Patricia)
 Navy, Jacksonville, FL
- Quincy D'Antonio (Linda Wigfield's grandson) Health Clinic, Navy Base, BHC Diego Garcia, Indian Ocean
- Elijah Kellar (Robert and Sue Wearn's nephew), US Navy, Long Beach, MS
- Matt Kitchen (Merrilyn Long's nephew)
 Coast Guard, Schererville, IN
- Andre Maurice Moncrief (son of Sherry Roberts), Army Reserve, Modesto, CA
- ◆ Lt. Parker Northrop (son-in-law of Hunter and Perry Harris) Navy, Sicily
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