

A photograph of the Main Street United Methodist Church, a brick building with a prominent steeple and arched windows, surrounded by greenery and red flowering bushes.

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Thoughts from your Pastor

CHANGE

Main Street is going through a season of change. Change can be extremely stressful, especially in a congregation. The pastors come and go in the United Methodist Church. Sometimes the coming is welcome. Sometimes the going is welcome. Sometimes there is gnashing of teeth in both instances.

The change for Brian and Kaylor and their children is certainly big in many ways. They are leaving their families behind and striking out in a new frontier for them. They are leaving schools and jobs, but they've done that before. The kids are leaving friends and schools, but they've done that before. They are blessed with a loving congregation that wishes them well.

In the meantime, Main Street UMC goes forward. Randy Taylor and Eric Shepard will attempt to fill the void. The church knows both of us. We are comfortable with following the path laid out by Brian. We each have unique styles. We each have unique gifts. We both love preaching the Word.

In a time of change it is good to know the substitutes. There is little surprise in the change. However, there can be need. Both Randy and I know how to answer a phone and respond to needs. We both live in Lexington County, equidistant from Main Street. If you need pastoral care, let us know. My phone number is 803-899-4912.

During this 10 or 11 weeks there is anticipation of change. A new pastor is coming! (Oh Joy...another change!) This is a time for prayer. Pray for the new pastor. Pray for a smooth transition. Pray for Betty as she has to train a new one!

Rev. Eric Shepard

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Come Holy Spirit!

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PEOPLE TO REMEMBER

- Ruth Brock – 165 Brock Dr., Troy, SC 29848
- Jane Cox – Brooksdale Room 102 – 1408 Parkway Road, Greenwood, SC 29646
- Irene Deason – 401 Whip-O-Will Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Gin Glace – P O Box 516, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Carroll Hagood – 1694 Cedar Springs Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Linda Himes – 36000 Campus Drive Apt. 508, Westland, MI 48185
- Bob Hipsher – 100 Pineview Street, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Petra Jones – 502 Church St., Abbeville, SC 29620
- Col. Bob Lander – 5 Frank Pressley Dr., Due West, SC 29639
- David Littell – 107 Hillcrest Drive, Abbeville, SC 29620
- John and Cam Marchi – 108 Sunset Dr., Abbeville, SC 29620
- Rowena Parkenson – 306 Millwood Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Harold and Marion Prince – P O Box 699, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Leon & Patty Thompson – Wesley Commons Assisted Living – Apt. 6117 – 1110 Marshall Road, Greenwood, SC 29646
- Jane Williams – 257 Whip-O-Will Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Marjorie Wilson – 1500 Greenwood Street, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Beverly Wilson – 2623 Stevenson Road, Abbeville, SC 29620

Joys & Concerns

Please let the church office know of any joys or concerns of our church family

Prayer Requests

We pray for and intercede on behalf of: Jane Williams; Jane Cox; Ruth Brock; Irene Deason; Kathy Bernard; Shane Lee; Mary Elizabeth Land; Kevin Bosler; Wayne Wilson; Alana Taylor; Linda Himes; Ted Hawthorne; Leon and Patty Thompson; Gary Greeson; Gwen Lewis, Rose Childress; Dondi Brown; Penny Richey; Bobbie Martin; Hudson Blackburn; Marcia Davis; Mary Beth Peck; Sandra Erwin; Quintella Guillebeaux; Dianne Fossett; Elbridge Wright; Cheryl Ashley; Julie Williams; Anna Pursley; Bob Glace; Don Lindley; Margent McGee

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Please contact Church Office if you know someone in need of prayer.



TRUSTEE OF THE MONTH
Chris West

U.M.W. NEWS

United Methodist Women

CIRCLE MEETINGS



Agnes Rogers Circle – TBD watch emails

Ann Moore Circle – TBD- watch emails

Lovely Lane Circle will not meet in May.

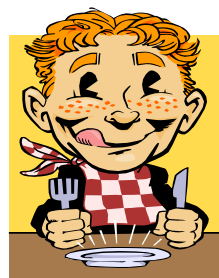
Susannah Wesley Circle will not meet in May.

U.M.M. NEWS

United Methodist Men

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will meet on
May 2, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. in the
Greene Center



Vacation Bible School (tentative)

Kick-Off July 18
classes July 19, 20, 21
5:30 pm meal



CHILDREN & YOUTH NEWS



Children's News

summer activities will be announced soon.

Youth News

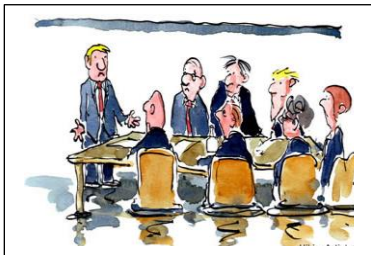
The youth will not meet until September

**Upcoming
Meetings and
Events This Month**

Heritage Sunday
May 23

Senior Sunday
May 30

**Vacation Bible
School**
Starts July 18
Need Volunteers
Contact Paula Weis



Notes from the Choir



Music Notes

As we continue to celebrate the Easter season, we also prepare for the worship of Pentecost on Sunday, May 23rd, and Trinity Sunday on May 30th. Pentecost is another high holy day of the Christian calendar. It is often referred to as the birthday of the church. Pentecost celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. Red is the liturgical color for Pentecost and represents the Holy Spirit and the color of the flame. Hymns of the day usually focus on the Holy Spirit and include such titles as “Breathe on me, Breath of God” (UMH 420), “Spirit of the Living God” (UMH 393) and “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” (UMH 500).

Trinity Sunday always occurs the Sunday after Pentecost. This Sunday celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Trinity – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. There are several hymns that we sing that reference the Trinity, but the most popular is definitely “Holy, Holy, Holy” (UMH 64). “Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!” This hymn is included in our United Methodist Hymnal with both English lyrics (#64) and Spanish lyrics (#65).

Join us for our May worship services as we continue celebrating the resurrection, as well as Pentecost and Trinity Sunday.

Blessings

Kerri



COVID-19 Vaccine

People age 16 and over can now make an appointment to receive the COVID-19 vaccine by calling the vaccination clinic at Abbeville Area Medical Center at 366-1647 or their health care provider. Even with the vaccine it is important to continue following all safety measures. Everyone is strongly encouraged to continue wearing a mask, practicing physical distancing, frequently washing their hands and staying home when sick. These are proven ways to slow the spread and will be essential to ending the pandemic, even as vaccinations begin.



Are Sitting Patterns Related to Diabetes?

- 1 • All adults, and particularly those with type 2 diabetes, should decrease the **amount** of time spent in daily sedentary behavior
- 2 • Prolonged sitting should be **interrupted** with bouts of light activity every 30 min for blood glucose benefits, at least in adults with type 2 diabetes.
- 3 • The above two recommendations are additional to, and not a replacement for, increased structured exercise and incidental movement.

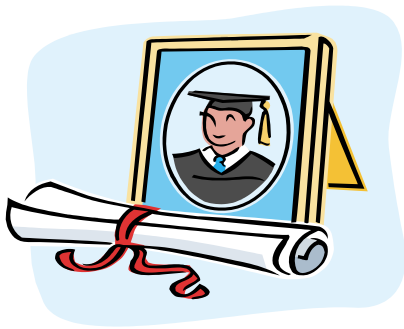
Epidemiological evidence indicates that excessive time spent in sedentary behaviors (too much sitting) is associated with an increased risk of type 2 diabetes (T2D). This new evidence is stimulating an expansion of diabetes-related physical activity guidelines—suggesting that in addition to moderate-vigorous physical activity, reducing and regularly interrupting prolonged sitting time is likely to have important and varied benefits across the spectrum of diabetes risk.



Flower Calendar

Dates that are Available

**May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; June 13; July 11;
September 9, 12, 19, 26; October 3,
24; November 21.**



Seniors

We would like to congratulate our
graduating senior this year on Sunday,
May 30.

Matthew Thomas Hall

Son of Michael and Kerri Hall

**Congratulations and best wishes for
the future!**

And

In loving memory of Keller Bowie

Son of Tracy & Benny Bowie

May Scripture Readings

- 2 Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8
- 9 Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17
- 16 Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
Psalm 1
1 John 5:9-13
John 17:6-19
- 23 Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:22-27
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
- 31 Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17



Nursery is Back



We will be starting back the nursery for ages 0-4.

We are currently looking for adult volunteers as well as some youth for a one Sunday a month rotation.

Please contact Pamela Bowen or Paula Weis if you would like to be added to the nursery calendar.

All children are welcome in the nursery, but we would still like to take extra precaution due to the pandemic and limit the number of older children if possible.

Loose Change Sunday



Loose Change Sunday is
May 23

we will be collecting for
Salkehatchie

Don't forget to turn in your Lenten Coin Holders to the church office. The Missions Committee passed out Lenten Coin Holders for the collection of a Lenten offering. One-half of the offering will go to The Tracy Jackson Summer Food Program and the remaining portion will go to the United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County.



Keep the Music Flowing

Main Street United Methodist Church

As of April 20 we owe \$50,656.26 on the organ loan and have \$37,247.45 in the organ fund. Once the loan is paid off we will still need to make donations to the organ fund so that we can maintain the organ with future tunings and inspections.

Thank you for your participation in this campaign to keep the music flowing. Keep praying, keep working and keep giving.

Easter at Main Street



A New Church Directory is Coming

With Covid-19 we got side-tracked from completing the new church directory. We are now on track. This is a good time to complete the questionnaire for the new Church Directory if you haven't already. We are requesting someone from each member household to complete an online questionnaire about the members of the household. If you are unable to go online you may request a paper questionnaire from the church office by calling 864/366-2367.

Additionally, we are requesting church members to email a family photo. These photos and information will be published in a printed directory and will be available in an online directory.

Hold your smartphone over the QR Code below are go to

<https://forms.gle/npkbvDmTV7DTkLSHA> to complete the **MSUMC CENSUS** form by entering your name, date of birth, gender, relationship, phone number and email of each member of the household. There is also a question that asks for date of marriage. Family photos can be emailed to the church's email account at mainstreetumcabbville@gmail.com





May Birthdays

- 1 Henry Arant
- 2 Linda Cann
John Marchi
- 3 Valerie Snyder
- 4 Laura Evans
- 5 Gene Butler
Daniel Chamblin
- 6 Stan Keaton
Amanda Hershberger Moss
Andrew Morris
- 8 Bob Glace
Laura Baughman
Kerri Hall
Bryan Glace
- 9 Carole Hill
- 12 Tracey Bowie
Luke Williams
- 14 Archie Beaty
- 15 J B Moss
Ella Atkins
- 19 Linda Himes
- 20 Carol Jackson
- 21 Lanny McKay
- 22 Marion Bowie, Jr.
Bryan Baughman
- 24 Needy Dunlap
- 25 Laura Olson
- 26 Drew Mundy
- 27 Claire Addis
- 28 Jennifer Nelson
- 29 Michael Hall
- 31 Katherine Hershberger Hudgens



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May Anniversaries

- 9 Mr. and Mrs. Steve Boggs
- 13 Mr. and Mrs. Mike Shirley
- 18 Mr. and Mrs. Marty Cann
- 19 Mr. and Mrs. Mike Burdette
- 21 Mr. and Mrs. Chris West
- 22 Mr. and Mrs. Lanny McKay
- 29 Mr. and Mrs. Grady Butler
- 31 Mr. and Mrs. Keith Manges

Good for a Laugh



Don't let SATAN steal your joy and peace away serving the Lord, no matter what He (GOD) has called you to do. I was in Greenwood the other day and a man came up to me and asks me are you still dating OLD WOMEN. I turned the cheek other way and kept on trucking. God Bless!

Mike Allen

[LINK TO OUR CHURCH CALENDAR](#)

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