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Main Street United Methodist Church

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THOUGHTS FROM YOUR PASTOR

I hope this Magnet article finds all of you preparing to celebrate the coming of Christ into our world. As has been a common theme throughout Advent, there are lots of things which demand our attention this time of year. Yet, the prophetic word of God reminds us that His presence is sufficient and invites us to rejoice even in the midst of the chaos! My hope is that you are able to pause, even for a moment, to reflect upon the true meaning of God's Emmanuel – God's coming amongst us for us – at Christmas.

I will be on vacation with my family from Christmas through the first of the year but will be back for our annual congregational reaffirmation of baptism service on January 6 along with the beginning to another fruitful year of ministry. From my family to yours, Merry Christmas.

note – the baby in the picture is our new nephew – we did not have a 5th child!

-Pastor Brian



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PEOPLE TO REMEMBER

- •Ned & Mary Barnette P O Box 307, Due West, SC 29639
- Sarah Beaty 74 Taylor Lane, Abbeville, SC 29620
- •Bill Blakely P O Box 115, Abbeville, SC 29620
- •Ruth Brock 165 Brock Dr., Troy, SC 29848
- •Robert Clark 144 White Creek Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Jane Cox Brooksdale Room 102 1408 Parkway Road, Greenwood, SC 29646
- •Irene Deason 401 Whip-O-Will Road, Abbeville. SC 29620
- ●Carroll Hagood 1694 Cedar Springs Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- •Bob Harden P O Box 144, Abbeville, SC 29620
- ●Ned and Linda Himes 307 HillCrest Drive, Abbeville, SC 29620
- ●Bob and Mary Hipsher 100 Pineview Street, Abbeville, SC 29620
- ●Petra Jones 502 Church St., Abbeville, SC 29620
- ●Col. Bob Lander 110 Wilewood Road, Abbeville. SC 29620
- Harvey Lansing Abbeville Nursing Home Room 111 – P O Box 190, Abbeville, SC 29620
- David Littell 107 Hillcrest Drive, Abbeville, SC 29620
- •John and Cam Marchi 108 Sunset Dr., Abbeville, SC 29620
- •Doris New Petra Health Care, 204 Holiday Rd, McCormick SC 29835
- •Rowena Parkenson 306 Millwood Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Lucy Savitz 206 Millwood Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- ●Leon & Patty Thompson P O Box 307, Due West, SC 29620
- ●Carolyn White P O Box 158, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Paul 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

Prayer Requests

We pray for and intercede on behalf of: Claudette Kitchens; Persecuted Christians; Jennifer Todd; Petra Jones; Kathy Greene Tillman; Amber Turner; Doris New; Gwen McNeil; Rowena Parkerson; Harvey Lansing; Nancy Wright; Michael Snead; Robert Hawthorne; Sarah Beaty; Irene Deason; Mark Brock; Trudi Greene; Krista Uldrick; Tut Finley; Paul Mullet; Lou Martin; Andy Davis; Charles Addis; Lucy Savitz; Robert Clark; Christian Meyers; Mrs. Virginia Sides; Nina Winger; Brant Ashley; Harriett Cartledge; Niesha Brown; Jackie Daniel; Ann Mitchell; Tyler Moss; Terry Beckom; Edith Davis; Darius Turman; Harbor Branyon; Beverly Wilson; Mike Cooper; Shelda Evans; Ruth Burton; Jayne Hagen Davis; Ruth Brock; Patsy Walter; Brenda Ashley Dedo; Richard Van Orden; Steve Bowles; Stan Keaton; Wanda Campbell;

Deployment – Ryan Morris; Chris West **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers.**

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



Joys & Concerns

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

Christmas Angel Tree

We serve a MIGHTY God! Thank you to everyone who prayed; gave; and worked to help provide a brighter Christmas to over 650 needy children in our area. Throughout this project we have seen God bless our efforts through generous giving and answered prayers! Thank you for working together to share Jesus love at Christmas time!



U.M.W. NEWS

United Methodist Women

CIRCLE MEETINGS



Ann Moore Circle will meet on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 6:30 pm at the home of Conway Shirley.

Agnes Rogers Circle to be announced later

Lovely Lane Circle will meet Tuesday, January 8, 2019, at 3:30 pm, in the Greene Center. Chaney Wilson will be hostess.

Susannah Wesley Circle will meet Monday, January 7 at 12 noon at Theo's.

U.M.M. NEWS

United Methodist Men

United Methodist Men
will meet on
January 6, 2019 at 8:00 am in the Greene
Center





Flower Calendar Dates Still Available

The 2019 flower calendar has been posted for those who wish to place flowers in the chancel this year. The calendar is located on the bulletin board in the Education Building, or you may sign up by calling the church office (366-2367) to see if the date you wish is still available.

CHILDREN & YOUTH NEWS





Children Singing

The children played the bells during the worship service and sang Glory to God in the Highest during the Cantata service December 9. Thanks to Kerri Hall for leading the children.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Administrative Council

will meet Thursday, January 17, 2019, in the Outreach Class at 7:00 pm. All members of these Committees are encouraged to attend. If you will be unable to attend, please call the church office. All committee reports should be emailed in by January 10th.

Trustees

will meet Monday, January 21, 2019, in the Youth Building at 5:30 pm. All members of this Committee are encouraged to attend. If you will be unable to attend, please call the church office.



Notes from the Choir



As I write this article, we are in the midst of our Advent/Christmas celebrations. Following the busy month of December is January – a month to slow down, reflect upon the past and make plans for the future. At Main Street, we will certainly use the month of January to prepare for the future as we celebrate the installation of a new pipe organ! January will be a time of excitement and new opportunities. We will begin preparing for the new organ immediately following worship on Sunday, December 30th, by clearing out the choir loft to make room for the work that will be done over the next several weeks. If you are willing to help with any of these preparations, please let Dennis or Kerri know.

We will resume our Chancel Choir rehearsals on Sunday, January 6th, at 5 pm in the Sanctuary. If becoming a part of the Main Street Music Ministry is on your New Year's Resolution list, then please join us that evening. Our children will continue to enjoy a time of music each Sunday morning at 10 am in the Sanctuary. Soon we will be preparing music for the Lent/Easter season.

A special thank you to all who participated in our Christmas musical presentations. I am truly blessed to be a part of Main Street and to lead such a great group of musicians. Thank you all for enriching our worship with your musical gifts!





NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

For many people, the start of a new year brings new enthusiasm, a new outlook, and many times, new fitness goals. This will be the year they finally quit smoking, shed unwanted pounds, or start an exercise program.

According to a Health magazine study, however, only 46 percent of people who make fitness related New Year's resolutions have maintained their goals just six months later. This is because many people tend to make unrealistic resolutions.

People who write down their short-term goals tend to be more successful than those who simply make a resolution. Writing a goal down is important because it helps people remain accountable to themselves, and thus, helps them maintain consistency through a long period.

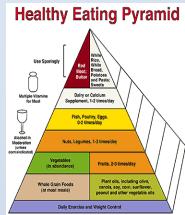
Use the **SMART** principle of goal setting.

SMART is an acronym for setting **s**pecific, **m**easurable, **a**ttainable, **r**ealistic, and **t**rackable goals. Having a goal of going to the gym seven days a week, when you are not going now, might be unrealistic. People should start with a smaller short-term goal, like going to the gym three days this week. That way they are still going to the gym, but not setting the bar too high.

Weight loss goals often fall into this unrealistic category as well. Through proper nutrition and exercise, people should see from a half to two pounds of weight loss per week. Anything more than that is unsustainable.

One pound of fat equals 3,500 calories, so having a 500-calorie deficit each day will yield one to two pounds of weight loss. The 500 calories can come from eating slightly less or from exercise. People should not make drastic changes to their diet, but instead, try incorporating more fruits and vegetables and replacing soda or energy drinks with water. Weight loss resolvers sometimes think that eating less will help, but it is important to eat every two to three hours to boost one's metabolism. Happy New Year!!!







January Birthdays

- 2 Fletcher Ferguson, Jr.
- 3 Kelley Calvert Fernandez Kimberly Thomasson
- 6 Steve Stanley
- 7 Jimmy Smith Robert Martin
- 8 Gary Tilley
- 11 Blake Baughman Craig Nixon
- Matthew Arnold
- 13 Heather Hite Stone Lauren S. Windt
- 14 Mike Campbell
- 16 Stephanie Whitlock
- 18 Brandt Addis Casey Thomasson
- Matthew Stephen Baker
- 20 Brandon Carter Jeff Horne
- 22 Cecily Ferguson
- Jimmy Bowen Jennifer Baker
- 24 Brandon Beaty
- 26 Bob Hipsher
- 27 Mike Burdette
- 28 Mary Lou Edens
- 29 Cody Cann
- 30 Frankie Stone

LINK TO OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

(Click on this link while holding down the control key)





January Anniversaries

- 23 Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howie, II
- Mr. and Mrs. Benny Bowie
- 29 Dr. and Mrs. Mark Horton

January Acolyte

6 Harper Stone
13 Jakob Wilson
20 Jonah Kollmann
27 Gracie Gary

Please put the above date on your calendar. This is the Sunday you are to be an acolyte for the morning worship service.

If you cannot be acolyte on your day, PLEASE find a substitute or swap Sundays with someone.

Please come to Parament room no later than 10:45 a.m. on the Sunday morning you are to be acolyte.



TRUSTEE OF THE MONTH

Bob Glace

SOUND TECDavid Wilson

2018

Estimates of Giving



Please give any offerings to be applied to 2018 Estimates of Giving by January 7th, (Please mark your envelopes 2018). After that date, the accounting records for 2018 will be closed so that we may prepare year-end contribution statements and annual reports for the conference.

January Scripture Readings

- 6 Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12
- 13 Isaiah 43:1-7 Psalm 29 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11
- 20 Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 36:5-10 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11
- 27 Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21



Missions NewsLoose Change Sunday



Loose Change Sunday will be January 27. We will be collecting for the UCMAC, Emergency Assistance which pays rent, utilities and other expenses for low income residents of Abbeville County

Nursery Schedule for January

- 6 Marianna Fleming, Nancy DeLoach
- 13 Linda Cann, Doodle Campbell, Baylee Wilson
- 20 Betty Bowen, Lucy Kollmann
- 27 Jennifer Baker, Baylee Wilson



Beef Stew Report

Main Street provided \$5,278 in 2018 for Beef Stew!

Each UCMAC supporting church is responsible for only one item that goes in the UCMAC Food Pantry food boxes. Main Street provides the Beef Stew that fills the food boxes. The Food Pantry uses about 300 cans each month to fill the boxes. Either you can donate a 20 oz. can of beef stew or money for the UCMAC food pantry volunteers to purchase the beef stew. Most people donate money since UCMAC is able to purchase beef stew for less than the grocery store charges. Each week we have a "Beef Stew Report" in the bulletin to see if we are collecting enough.



\$5,278. That's a lot of beef! Let's try to match that in 2019

Wedding Shower!

Please join our Main Street Church Family as we celebrate

Sydney Glace Horne becoming Mrs. Luke McClain

Sunday, January 6, 2019 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Greene Center Main Street United Methodist Church Abbeville, South Carolina

We hope to see you there! Registered at Belk, Target, Pottery Barn and Bed, Bath & Beyond

Notes of Thanks



To our church family,

Our sincere appreciation for the privilege and blessings that are ours for the opportunity of serving our Main Street Church.

Also, a sincere "Thank you" for the Christmas gifts we received. Our greatest blessing is to continue our work together for another New Year!

Love and Prayers,

Betty, Kerri, and Dennis



Christmas at Main Street 2018

















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