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Thoughts from the Pastor

In a recent article I wrote for the UCMAC newsletter, and based on a devotional I provided early on in the quarantine lockdown, I talked about seasons. "To everything there is a season under heaven..." (Ecc. 3) was the reference. We have been in a season of quarantine, lockdown, and social distancing. We have been in a season of "new normals" which has affected every facet of our lives. Schools, activities, social events, even something that was once as mundane as a grocery store trip all changed. Of course, in-person worship and church activities suddenly ceased as well. These months have also been a season of learning. We have learned much about live-streaming worship, online giving, serving, and discipleship making from a distance! "Zoom" has become a crucial tool of ministry for Sunday School and our 2020 confirmation class! I'm proud that Main St. UMC has learned, adapted, and even excelled in all these areas. As I type, finishing touches are being put on another round of children's boxes for the children of the church. It is important that we stay connected!

As the seasons of life and the realities of COVID-19 continue to change, now we are approaching a season of re-opening. We will resume in-person worship June 14, 2020! However, our season of re-opening will be gradual. We will temporarily offer 2 worship times: 9am and 11am. The hope is that a roughly even number of folks will choose between the two services so that we can maintain social distancing. Sunday School will still be virtual along with other church activities. Additionally, it almost goes without saying that if you are immune-compromised, sick, or do not feel safe, please stay home for a little longer! We will still be live-streaming the services via Facebook and YouTube.

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Come Holy Spirit!

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Sympathy of Minister and congregation is extended to Mr. Carroll Hagood on the death of his brother, Roy Wallen "Toby" Hagood on Monday, May 11, 2020.

GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY & HONOR FROM MARCH 22 THROUGH MAY 24

David Wilson to the Organ Fund by Mike and Doodle Campbell; Mike Allen and Angela Stokes; Susan Hilley; Jane Agan and Ed Evans; Helen Speer; Melva Kay; Cecily and Craig Ferguson; Robert and Sandy Martin; Barry and Ruthie Edmunds; Carol and Steve Jackson; Russell and Mary Wolfe; Mason and Connie Speer; Edith and Shane Davis; Daniel and Tracy Greene; Steve and Joan White; Roseann Hill; Judy Lewis and Family; Ruth Brock; Atlantis Holdings LLP; John and Pearl McMahan; Mrs. Grace Nelson; Frank and Wilma Phillips; Pat and Dena Hodge; Kack and Jimmy Hardin; Billy and Beverly Wilson; Scott and Jenny Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Williams; Tom and Patti Howie; Ann Davis; Lee and Trudi Greene; Steve and Dee Mountford; Mary and Ed White; Luke and Kailyn White; Hanna and Chris West; Ron and Anna Brown; Matt and JoBeth Lee; Bennie and Frank McCoy; Outreach Class; Jean and Mitch Duncan; Jane Ayers; Wade and Maxie Caldwell; Stan and Susan Keaton; Angela and Anthony Hunt; Mike and Conway Shirley; Alan and Paula Weis; Drew and Kim Mundy; Sarah and Bob Gary; Lura Jean Chandler; Curtis (Chip) and Christine Wilson; Janna and Tom Vaughan; Dr. Mark and Janet Horton; to the Angel Tree Fund Judy Lewis; Petra and Sam Jones; Laura New and Family; to UCMAC by Bob and Betty Shirley;

Bill Cameron to the Angel Tree Fund by Bobby and Betty Bowen; Brandt and Beth Addis; Judy Lewis and Family; Laura New and Family; Helen Speer; Robert and Sandy Martin; Frank and Wilma Phillips; Jane Ayers; Sam and Petra Jones; Stan and Susan Keaton; Mrs. Robert Jameson; Judy Lewis; Alan and Paula Weis; Drew and Kim Mundy; the family of Jimmy and Johnel White; Chaney Wilson and Sons; Bennie and Frank McCoy; Mary and Ed White; Luke and Kailyn White; Hanna and Chris West; Ron and Anna Brown; Matt and JoBeth Lee; Keenan and Beth Kelly; Betty Byars; Billy and Beverly Wilson; Scott and Jenny Jackson; to UCMAC by Bob and Betty Shirley; Mike and Conway Shirley; to the Organ Fund by Mike and Doodle Campbell; Mike Allen and Angela Stokes; Ruth Brock;

Harold Frick to the Organ Fund by Mike and Doodle Campbell

Mabel Hemminger to the **Organ Fund** Mike and Doodle Campbell; Bill and Alice McNeil; Anna and Ron Brown; JoBeth and Matt Lee; Hanna and Chris West; Luke and Kailyn White; Alan and Paula Weis; to the **Angel Tree Fund** by Judy Lewis; Janna Davis; to **UCMAC** by Mike and Conway Shirley;

Howard Smithey to the Angel Tree Fund by Janna Davis

David Ayers to the Organ Fund by Woody and Daphne Padget; Steve and Carol Jackson;

Carolyn White to the Organ Fund by Helen Bryan; Glen and Caroline McGee

Phyllis Tucker to the **Angel Tree Fund** by Alan and Paula Weis; Mary and Ed White; to **UCMAC** by Mike and Conway Shirley;

William Henry Watts, Jr., Claudine Sorrow to the Angel Tree Fund by Mary and Ed White

Joshua Martin Thomas to the Organ Fund by Marty and Linda Cann

Jesse Paul Payne, Jr. to the Organ Fund by Susannah Wesley Circle; Ed Evans and Jane Agan; Stan and Susan Keaton

Anna Lou McCord to the **Organ Fund** by Brandt and Beth Addis; Betty and Bobby Bowen and Family; to UCMAC by Billy and Beverly Wilson

Evelyn Fossett to the Organ Fund by Mary and Ed White

Richard Brock, Juanita Finley, Brenda Dedo, Joel "Buck" Bailey to the Angel Tree Fund by Mary and Ed White

Virginia Ferguson, on Mother's Day to the Organ Fund by Dawne and Don Hershberger

John "Speed" Hall to the **Organ Fund** by Bobby and Betty Bowen; Jimmy and Morgan Bowen; Pamela Bowen, Baylee and Jakob; to **UCMAC** by Mike and Conway Shirley

Toney Storey, Jim Irwin, Sybil Young, Toby Hagood to UCMAC by Mike and Conway Shirley

In Honor of The Risen Christ to the Organ Fund by Sam and Petra Jones

In Honor of Allison Addis to the Angel Tree Fund by Chaney Wilson and Sons;

In Honor of J B Moss for his May Birthday to the **Organ Fund** by Jennifer, Walt and Elliott Roark; Melissa and John Tillman; Keith and Katherine Hudgens; Dawne and Don Hershberger.

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We will also have a few hygiene and cleaning protocols in place which will be new. In addition to limiting physical contact, masks will be available for optional use. Masks are encouraged but not required. We are also asking that hand sanitizer be utilized as you enter the building – these will be provided. Finally, please seat yourselves so that you are roughly 6 feet from each other. This might mean sitting in a different seat than normal! No worries, this too shall pass!

I am hopeful and prayerful that this season of re-opening also transitions to another new season which sees us enjoying with re-newed thanksgiving and appreciation the ability to gather and worship in-person! Please do not hesitate to be in touch with me with questions and/or concerns.

-Pastor Brian



PEOPLE TO REMEMBER

- ●Ned & Mary Barnette 5 Frank Pressley Dr., Due West, SC 29639
- ●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
- ●Carroll Hagood 1694 Cedar Springs Road, 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
- ●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
- ●Paul and 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

Congratulations



Danielle Morris graduated from Presbyterian College in May. She is the daughter of Cecily Ferguson

Prayer Requests

We pray for and intercede on behalf of: Claudette Kitchens; The Persecuted Church; Rowena Parkerson; Harvey Lansing; Michael Snead; Irene Deason; Christian Meyers; Jayne Hagen Davis; Ruth Brock; Ned and Linda Himes; Ned Barnette; Paul and Jane Williams; Elbridge Wright; Todd Walter, Jr.; Deirdre Collins; Mary Elizabeth Land; Allison Addis; Baby Sam Crawford; Jeri Stone; Faye Broome; Daniel Banks; Penny Richey; Beverly Wilson;

Deployment –Clayton Hall **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

Mission News



Loose Change Sunday – June 28

We will be collecting for **Faith Home**, a drug & alcohol rehabilitation home with a facility for women in Abbeville

U.M.W. NEWS

United Methodist Women

CIRCLE MEETINGS



Agnes Rogers Circle - TBA

Ann Moore Circle will meet at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, June 16th at Main Street UMC Greene Center.

Lovely Lane Circle will not meet in June

Susannah Wesley Circle will not meet in June, July and August.

All circles should nominate a lady for the Special Mission Recognition Pin Award at their June meeting and turn the nomination in to Jane Agan.

Remember to collect items for the deployed military personnel and put in the marked barrel in the hall of the Sunday School building.

U.M.M. NEWS

United Methodist Men

United Methodist Men will not meet in June, July and August. Next Scheduled Breakfast will be September 6, 2020





Flower Calendar September 27; October 18, 25; November 22

CHILDREN & YOUTH NEWS



No Activities through June. Have a good, safe summer.

Upcoming Meetings and Events This Month

Annual Conference Postponed

Tracy Jackson
Summer Program

Begins June 8, 2020

Vacation Bible School Postponed



To help with children's activities this summer. Call the church office if you can help. 366-2367

Notes from the Choir



As we continue with our virtual worship for a few more weeks, I continue to be amazed by the connectedness that we have maintained throughout this time apart. Our worship continues and has been a wonderful time of praising God throughout this crisis. Many aspects of our worship continue to be virtually the same as before. There is one thing that I have found myself missing greatly. Our singing!! I hope that you are singing along at home during these services, but I realize that it is not the same. Methodists are singing people. There are directions written by John Wesley in the front of our hymnal that instruct us to sing lustily! There are a few people who gather each Sunday to provide some singing during the hymns to guide those of you watching online, but even then we are socially distanced so it is not exactly the same as before. I miss the days of a full congregation singing the old favorites so heartily that we ALMOST drown out the organ.

But, as Brian has said, this is only a season and it too will pass. Maybe not as quickly as we would like, but it will pass and we will one day be back to singing as before. And I believe we will all have a new appreciation for the ability to do so.

As we navigate the weeks ahead, we will face new challenges. The Bishop has given churches guidelines for the process of coming back together and these guidelines include some restrictions on congregational singing. There will be discussions held within the next few weeks on the best way to handle this for the safety of our church family and I am sure we will do what is best.

Until the time that singing fully returns, I am reminded of a song in our hymnal supplement, <u>The Faith We Sing</u>, titled "My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep From Singing?)" I will end with the words of a verse of this song.

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing. It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.

Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Sing on! Kerri



. Keep Your Food Safe this Summer

Bacteria and germs that cause food poisoning can survive in many places and spread around your kitchen. Whether you're grocery shopping, cooking dinner, or hosting a party, there are simple things you can do to stay safe.

Learn how to keep your food safe this season:

Store raw meat on the bottom shelf of your refrigerator, away from ready-to-eat food. Refrigerate fruits and vegetables you have cut, peeled, or cooked within two hours. Reheated leftovers and casseroles should have an internal temperature of 165°F.

Learn More Food Safety Tips

Now is a Good Time to Begin Eating the Required 5 Servings of Fruits and Vegetables Each Day



A recent Consumer Reports survey found that about 70% of us fail to eat the five servings of fruits and vegetables every day that is recommended by the US Dept. of Agriculture. That's a shame, because doing so can reduce the risk of strokes, heart attacks, type 2 diabetes and some cancers.

Concentrate on the green leafy vegetables and ones with color. If you have diabetes, be careful to limit your fruits. Even though they may be fresh and natural, they still have high sugar content.

The Farmer's Market is opening in June so this is the perfect time to begin concentrating on getting your 5 fruits and vegetables daily.

There is nothing better for your taste buds and your health than fresh, home grown veggies.

What Can You Do to Fight The Coronavirus

Please remember to do the following:

- 1. Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water.
- 2. Cover your mouth if you cough.
- 3. Do not touch your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- 4. Avoid contact with sick people.
- 5. Stay at least 6 feet away from individuals so if coughing should occur, the spicules will not reach the approaching individual.
- 6. Do not shake people's hands or give them a hug.
- 7. Stay at home while you are sick and avoid others.
- 8. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces (doorknobs, railings, toilet handles, sink handles, etc.)
- 9. Notify the appropriate authorities should you suspect that you have contracted the flu or coronavirus. Symptoms include fever, cough, and shortness of breath.

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June Birthdays

- 3 Shannon Parnell Melissa Eder
- **Ieanette Davis** 4
- 5 Milly Stovall Cam Marchi
- 6 Jeremy Baughman Joshua Baughman
- 7 Barbara Sprouse JoBeth Lee **Evan Moberg**
- 11 Jonah Windt
- Lauren Cann 14 Yvonne Whiteside
- 15 Mike Allen **Shane Davis**
- 16 Teddi Herndon
- 17 John Wesley
- Lindsey Sammons Wilson 19
- 20 **Juliana Morris Smith**
- 21 Gin Glace **Jordan Glace**
- 22 Carroll Hagood Steve Boggs
- 23 Ruth Bacon
- 24 Nancy Stroud
- 26 Avie Lee
- 30 Aiden Burow

LINK TO OUR CHURCH **CALENDAR**

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





June Anniversaries

- Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sammons
- Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wolfe Mr. and Mrs. Bill McNeil
- 11 12 Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hudgnes
- 13
- Mr. and Mrs. Mark Snyder Rev. and Mrs. Frank McCoy 14
- Mr. and Mrs. Bob Whiteside
- 18 Mr. and Mrs. Drew Mundy Mr. and Mrs. Steve Jackson Dr. and Dr. Steve Lowe
 - Mr. and Mrs. Scott Jackson
- 20 Mr. and Mrs. Marion Bowie, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baughman 21
- 25 Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glace



Please join our Main Street Church Family at a Wedding Shower to celebrate

> Abby King and Riley Addis

Sunday, June 28, 2020 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Greene Center Main Street United Methodist Church

Registered at Belk, Pottery Barn, and Bed, Bath, & Beyond.

June Scripture Readings

7 Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

14 Genesis 18:1-15
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
Romans 5:1-8
Matthew 9:35-10:8

21 Genesis21:8-21 Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39

28 Genesis 22:1-14 Psalm 13 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42



No Nursery for June



June Acolyte



TRUSTEE OF THE MONTH

Barry Stone

SOUND TEC Greg Potts



No Greeters for June

A New Church Directory is Coming

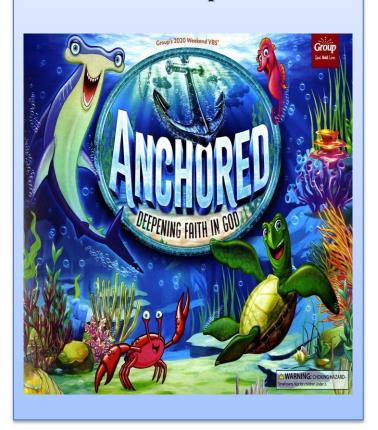
Most people have extra time right now so it is a good time to complete the questionnaire for the new Church Directory. We are requesting someone from each member household to complete an online questionnaire about the members of the household. If you are unable to go online you may request a paper questionnaire 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 mainstreetumcabbeville@gmail.com



VBS Postponed



More Bountiful Blessings Cookbook



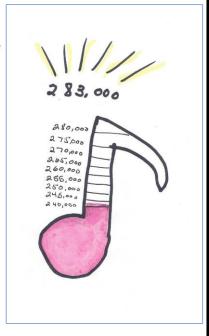
This cookbook includes the recipes from the original Bountiful Blessing cookbook plus the new recipes from the 2012 update. In addition, the cookbook includes the history of Main Street including our new pipe organ. This cookbook will make a great Wedding or Birthday present for all your family and loved ones. Don't get left out! The cost is \$25.00 per book. You can contact the church office, at 366-2367, or email mainstreetumcabbeville@gmail.com



Update

We have raised \$242,919 for the organ as of May 17, 2020. That is 85.84% of the total cost of \$283,000. The remainder is being collected over the 3 year faith promise campaign and the \$175,000 loan is being repaid.

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



Safe Sanctuary Policy

Over the next few months we are going to print sections of our Safe Sanctuary Policy so that everyone can become familiar with the provisions. Anyone who works with children, youth or vulnerable adults must follow these rules set out in this policy. Contact the church office if you want the entire policy emailed to you.

IV Supervision of Children and Youth - General

This policy applies to *all* activities involving children and youth such as Sunday School, Children's Church, Vacation Bible School, UMYF, and *all* other activities or outings at the church or away.

- A. All parents will complete and sign a registration form for each child attending any church sponsored activity or event at least annually.
- B. Children will be signed in each time they attend an activity and released to the appropriate person at the end of an activity or event.
- C. There should be a minimum of 2 volunteers (one screened) whenever there is an activity/event involving children. When two adults are not available, the door should always remain open. This "Two Person Rule" means that individuals should avoid unnecessary situations where an adult is alone and in private surroundings with a child or youth.
- D. When reasonably feasible, each room set aside for children/youth should have a door with a window. (Half doors should be considered for toddler to second grade children to keep them from wandering outside the classroom.)
- E. Paid staff and volunteers should never remove a child or youth from church property, or take him or her home, without the verbal or written approval of the parent/guardian.
- F. Gift giving should be done on a group basis or for special occasions only. Gifts may not be elaborate but should be modest and appropriate to the occasion. No staff or volunteer shall give gifts to an individual child or youth without the prior knowledge of the parent(s) or clergy.

V Supervision of Classroom Activities

A. Crib/Toddler to Second Grade

At least one screened adult will be present for all classroom activities involving infants, toddlers, and children in grades K-2. When feasible, there should be two screened adults present. In addition, a designated (screened) person should periodically check each classroom. Two persons in the classroom is the expectation, at least one of them must be a screened adult.

- B. Grades Three Five
 - At least one screened adult will be present for all classroom activities. Two volunteers are preferred. In addition, a designated (screened) person should periodically check each classroom. Children should be escorted to and from bathroom facilities or when otherwise leaving the room by either one of the volunteers or by a designated floating person who checks on all classrooms. Where two adults are not available to supervise, the classroom doors are to remain open.
- C. Grades Six- Twelve
 At least one screened adult will be present for all classroom activities. A designated person should periodically check all classrooms.

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