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Thoughts From Our Pastor

The Roman Way vs. The Celtic Way

One of my favorite books on history is *The Celtic Way of Evangelism*. The book is about the Celtic Christian movement in present day England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales almost 1,500 years ago. St. Patrick was the first to come to this area with The Gospel and he is credited with igniting the church movement which eventually spread into Europe as well. Their method of evangelizing went something like this: after setting up a church in a specific community they wanted to reach, they would invite people to their church for fellowship – a kind of get to know you period of time. Fellowship would lead to conversation, which would lead to sharing Christian Faith. Then, through the fellowship of the community, belief and an invitation to commitment to Christian Discipleship would follow. The Celts also emphasized many different worship styles that included singing, dancing, chanting, the use of drums, and various forms of visual art.

I should say here that the “Celtic” way of evangelism was a response to the “Roman” way of evangelism. The “Roman” way was the opposite of the “Celtic” way. The Romans would enter a town and present the Gospel. Then a decision to follow Christ was offered and those who accepted were brought into the fellowship of the nearest church. The Roman Way did not care as much about fellowship as it did conformity to their way of church. Conform or be excommunicated. My way or the Highway. Don’t be creative, be Roman.

You can think of modern churches in your minds that are “Roman” and those that are “Celtic.” You can all think of churches whose only concern is how many people “pray the sinner’s prayer” or how many people come to the altar during the last hymn. But there is more to Christian Discipleship than a one-time decision and the Celtic Christians knew that.

Here is why I have given you this big history lesson. I do not ever want to be a “Roman” church. I want to be a “Celtic” Church. I want our church to be outward reaching, emphasizing evangelism through fellowship and the formation of relationships with people, so that they will then believe and become fellow Disciples (and join the church too)! Are there ways in which we do this now? Absolutely. Are there new/different/creative ways which we can do this? Yes. The strength of any church is using our God-given abilities and talents to discern avenues of greater faithfulness through creative ways to reach the community around us. This is all because we love God, and because we want other people to know that love too. So here’s to being a Celtic Church!

Pastor Brian

Come Holy Spirit!

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PEOPLE TO REMEMBER

- Ned & Mary Barnette –5 Frank Pressley Rd, Due West, SC 29639
- Bill Blakely - Abbeville Nursing Home - Room 227 – 83 Thomson Circle, Abbeville, SC 29620
- 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
- Bob Harden – 103 Ridgeway Street, 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 – 83 Thomson Circle, 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
- Lucy Savitz – 206 Millwood Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
- Leon & Patty Thompson – Wesley Commons Apt. 6117 – 1110 Marshall Road, Greenwood, SC 29646
- 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

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:
 Claudette Kitchens; The Persecuted Church; Petra Jones; Rowena Parkerson; Harvey Lansing; Michael Snead; Irene Deason; Charles Addis; Lucy Savitz; Christian Meyers; Jayne Hagen Davis; Ruth Brock; Eric Moats; Jackie Counts; Kathy Scoggins; Susan Saunders; Linda Himes; Ned Barnette; Paul Williams; David Wilson; Bridges Poston; Abby Best; Grayson Jefferies; Charles McDonald
Deployment – Jacob Arnsmeyer; Adam Steele; Clayton Hall; Brad Baughman
Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers.

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



U.M.W. NEWS

United Methodist Women

CIRCLE MEETINGS



Agnes Rogers Circle will meet Monday, October 7 at 6:30pm at the home of Gene Butler.

Ann Moore Circle will meet on Tuesday, October 1st, at 6:30 at the home of Mary Beth Peck.

Lovely Lane Circle will meet Tuesday, October 1, at 3:30 in the Greene Center. Chaney Wilson is the hostess.

Susannah Wesley Circle will meet for lunch on Monday October 7th, at 12 noon at the home of Diane Shepard.

U.M.M. NEWS

United Methodist Men

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will meet on
Sunday, October 6, 2019
at 8:00 a.m.
in the Greene Center.



I would like to congratulate Thomas Wilson and Bill Glace for being nominated, elected and accepted to be Co-Presidents for the up-coming year, 2020. I'm looking forward to their leadership.

May God Bless
Michael D. Allen

CHILDREN & YOUTH NEWS

Children News

All children are invited to join us in the Sanctuary each Sunday morning at 10:00 m.

Youth News

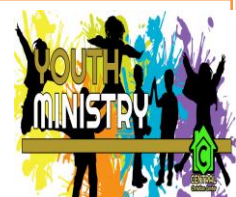
The youth meet each Sunday night at 5:00 in the Youth building

Fall-Fest

Sunday
October 20, 2019
4:30 pm
Home of Scott and Jenny
Jackson

Trunk or Treat

Wednesday
October 31, 2019
5:00 pm
Church parking lot



Upcoming Meetings and Events

**Charge Conference
Thursday, October 24,
2019 6:30 pm in the
Sanctuary**

Administrative Council

So that we can be prepared for Charge Conference the October Administrative Council meeting will meet **Thursday, October 3, 2019**, in the Outreach Class at 7:00 pm. All members of this Committee are encouraged to attend. If you will be unable to attend, please call the church office.

All committee reports should be emailed in by September 28.

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Notes from the Choir



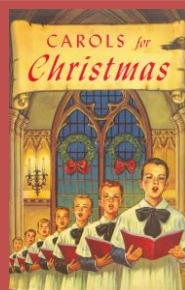
Calling all seasonal (and regular) choir members! We are entering the final quarter of 2019 which means rehearsals have begun for our Christmas music. This year's Christmas musical presentation will be a little different than the cantatas presented the past several years. This year we are preparing "A Ceremony of Lessons and Carols" by Anna Laura Page and Jean Anne Shafferman.

A Service of Lessons and Carols is a traditional Christmas celebration which intersperses Bible readings with the singing of Christmas carols and hymns. Its origin dates back to 1880 when the Archbishop of Canterbury used the format for his Christmas Eve service.

"A Ceremony of Lessons and Carols" includes beloved scripture readings interwoven with 26 carols that include just a touch of Handel and Bach. If you have a favorite Christmas carol, it is probably included. The format also invites congregational participation. This year's presentation will feature organ accompaniment and will be presented on Sunday, December 8th. The community will be invited to join us for this musical worship service.

October brings several special worship services before we get to the Christmas season -- World Communion Sunday, Laity Sunday and a special Children's Sunday. Make plans to be present each Sunday in October for these special opportunities for worship.

Kerri



Join the choir for the Christmas season presentation of "A Ceremony of Lessons and Carols"



Lunch and Learn

Wednesday
October 16, 2019
12 noon.

Can You Hear Me Now



Understanding Hearing Loss and Dispelling Myths about Hearing Loss

- Impacts of hearing loss
- Common Myths about Hearing Loss
- Technology Levels and Expectations

**Presented by Greenwood Ear,
Nose & Throat**

To register call Ann Davis at 378-
2315 or email at
AnnJefferies@wctel.net. Or call the
church office at 366-2367.

Free lunch provided



How Much Salt Should We Eat?

We should eat only about 1 teaspoon or 2300 mg. of salt a day.

Most people eat 4200-9000 mg. per day.

Read your labels. Canned foods, pickles, salad dressings and prepared foods are high in salt which is listed as sodium on labels.



Remember to get a flu shot



October Birthdays

4	Sam Jones Jonathan Botts
5	Mike Shirley
6	Brinkley Wilson
7	Elliott Roark
8	Buck Parnell Alan Weis
11	Mack Hite
16	Wanda Sprouse Sandra Watson Caroline Grace Baker
20	Krista Sammons
21	Knox Fleming
23	Judy Lewis
24	Steve Bowles
25	Dionne Mills
28	Megan Posey
31	Betty Bowen Allison Dunlap

[LINK TO OUR CHURCH CALENDAR](#)

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



October Anniversaries

4	Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stanley
5	Mr. and Mrs. Archie Beaty
6	Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sprouse
10	Mr. and Mrs. J B Moss Mr. and Mrs. Eric Shepard
16	Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brown
19	Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson
20	Mr. and Mrs. Ned Barnette Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Kollmann

October Acolyte

6	Harper Stone
13	Lucy Kollmann
20	Jakob Wilson
27	William Arnold

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

Kim Mundy

SOUND TEC

Brandt Addis

GREETER

Ray and Mary Beth Peck

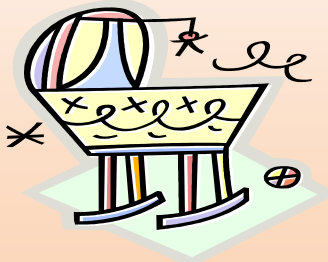
Greg and Michel Potts

Paige Roberson

Elaine Nixon, Walt Roark

Nursery Schedule for October

October 6	Julie Boggs, Lucy Kollmann
13	Kaylor Arant, Baylee Wilson
20	Doddle Campbell, Linda Cann
27	Marianna Fleming, Courtney Hite



Loose Change Sunday



October 27th

We will be collecting for UCMAC Food Pantry.

October Scripture Readings

- 6 Lamentations 1:1-6
Psalm 137
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10
- 13 Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Psalm 66:1-12
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19
- 20 Jeremiah 31:27-34
Psalm 119:97-104
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8
- 27 Joel 2:23-32
Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14



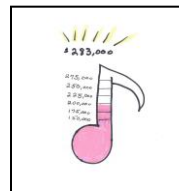
Keep the Music Flowing

Main Street United Methodist Church

Update

We have raised \$193,158.00 for the organ as of September 15, 2019. That is 68.25% 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.



Operation Christmas Child



(Control + Click the image above to go to Samaritan's Purse website to find out suggested items to include and how to pack a shoebox)

Main Street will be a drop off location during the week of November 18-25 for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes sponsored by Samaritan's Purse.

Monday, Nov. 18, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 19, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 3:30-5:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 21, 3:30-5:30 pm
Friday, Nov. 22, 10:00 a.m.-noon
Saturday, Nov. 23, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 pm.
Sunday, Nov. 24, noon-4:00 pm.
Monday, Nov. 25, noon-2:00 pm.

The Missions Committee with the assistance of the Ann Moore circle will receive the shoeboxes from the community.

If you would like to volunteer contact Nancy Walborn, Cecily Ferguson, or Bennie McCoy. Contact Cecily Ferguson at (864)391-7888 if you have questions.



Annual Fall Fest



Our Family Ministries invites all Main Street members to an evening of Fun, Food and Fellowship. Plan to attend the

**Cook-out, Bonfire and Hay Ride,
Sunday, October 20, at 4:30 pm
At the home of Scott and Jenny Jackson
3835 Highway 201
Iva, SC 29655**

**Thursday,
October 31, 2019
5:00 pm
Church Parking Lot**



Join the fun and park your car with the decorated trunk open so that you can pass out Halloween candy along with a message from Main Street. This will be the same night the City has their trick or treat event so we will be able to reach many children and parents.

If you would like to participate call the church office at 366-2367. We need decorated car trunks and we need candy.

Collecting Items for Deployed Military Personnel



The United Methodist Women are sponsoring a project to collect items to be shipped to deployed military personnel. Eric Shepard has agreed to pack & ship the items. There is a marked barrel in the hall of the Sunday School Building for these items. The types of items to be collected are snack foods such as trail mix, peanut butter, jelly, and beef jerky. There is a complete list on the church bulletin board.

A note From Eric Shepard

The average weight of a box is 15 pounds. The average cost what is inside the box is just under \$25. It costs \$18.45 dollars to mail each box. (The post office agent shook his head at one of the boxes being over 18 pounds). The contents of the boxes are primarily food. Where it is extremely hot where our personnel are stationed, we send a 4.8 pound canister of powdered Gatorade. This ministry gives our military a big present each month. We have no idea whether they like what is in the box, but bartering takes care of dislikes.

These latest boxes had pictures from children's Sunday School classes.

How can you participate? One of our adult Sunday School classes has donated \$200.00. This money will pay the postage for 10.8 boxes. The UMW is donating items from the list. We need more funds to continue mailing a box each month to each person. Filling and mailing 6 boxes a month is going to cost \$260 per month.

Please be generous.

Eric Shepard

Cookies for Kairos

Thanks to everyone who baked cookies for the September Kairos weekend. We provided about 50 dozen cookies for the men's prison. Now let's do the same for the women's prison.

Kairos is a prison ministry that is supported by the Anderson District of the United Methodist Church. We have been asked to participate in the ministry by providing cookies for the Kairos weekend coming up on October 24-27 for the Leath Women's Prison in Greenwood. Each weekend requires six thousand dozen cookies! So please be generous.

Recommended cookies include Oatmeal, Peanut Butter, Molasses and Chocolate Chip. They should be between 2 and 2.5 inches in diameter and no more than 1/2 inch thick. They should be un-iced and not contain nuts or fruits. Pack the cookies in plastic storage bags and then put in a sturdy box such as a shoebox with a lid to keep the cookies from being crushed.

Please deliver your cookies to the church by Monday October 21.

Information about Kairos cookies as well as other ways you may support this important ministry are available at the Kairos website (control+click on the logo below).

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Walborn, 366-0100, or the church office.



**Kairos Prison Ministry
International**

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