

OUR PRAYER LIST — Our President, all who defend our nation, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries' mother), Bobby Sellers (Angie Smith's uncle), Raul Wetternek, Carl Li, Amy Smith, Sis Funderburk, Jane Mayhew, Nancy Walters (Charlotte Crosby's sister), Mary Burr, Kit Canada (Connie Funderburk's son), Sue McManus, Mike Starling, David Harry (Jane Edwards Hoerner's son), Helen T. Griggs (Betty Hurst's friend), Harry Board, Zenda Rushing, Lib Livingston (Christy Ruffner's friend), Ronnie Cundiff, Laura Harris, Jeff Treadaway (Angie Smith's friend), Mondell & Henry Brasington (Debbie Adams' mom and dad), Clark McAlister (Jerry Turner's nephew), Brooklyn Boone (Jane Rumph's niece), Flo Outen, Connie Covington (Pam Baker & Jan Rogers' mother), Terry Crocker (Dee Dee Crocker's husband), Misty Kennedy (Julia Jones friend), John Straughn Family. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, August 20, 2017

9:00am Choir Practice
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service

Monday, August 21, 2017

6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)

Tuesday, August 22, 2017

10:30am Staff Meeting
5:30pm Weight Watchers

Thursday, August 24, 2017

Newsletter Deadline
6:30pm Christmas Dinner

Sunday, August 27, 2017

9:00am Choir Practice
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service

THANK YOU – Thank you for all the phone calls, cards, and prayers. Please continue to pray for me as I have had a set-back this past week. Jane Mayhew.



Welcome to New Members, who joined last Sunday, Jenna Quick and Jake Mitchell. Their son Sawyer was baptized last Sunday as well.



WHAT A BLESSING - This is the breakdown of back-packs:
Primary School: 82 full book bags, and extra supplies
Intermediate School: 63 full book bags, (this includes the ones for Mrs. Jacobs); Long Middle School: 12 full book bags, and 20 empty for a total of 32 bags at Long; Cheraw High School: 30 empty book bags. Total: 207 bags, plus extra supplies Thanks to everyone for your work and input!! Thanks to all the non-committee members who volunteered to help last Monday.

ACCOLADES – To our young learners who come down each Sunday for Life Lessons. You make a great difference in the worship service. Thank you to all ages that come down. *Ken Timmerman*

SYMPATHY – Our congregation expresses sympathy and love to Shep Straughn upon the death of her husband, Mr. John Straughn.

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A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

AUGUST 20, 2017

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LITURGICAL COLOR: RED

PARSON TO PERSON

I had the privilege some time ago of attending the Leadership Summit presented by Willow Creek Community Church in Chicago. This Summit was held at the Myrtle Beach Community Church compliments of satellite television, The Summit is about leadership and the church. At least three of the things I heard made a lasting impact. Jim Collins said that with what the church has to present, the world we have no choice but to be great! Erwin McManus declared that everything God creates has integrity. Bill Hybel said that when it comes to the church and what the church offers the world, “It’s us or lights out!” The church alone presents a life-changing and life-saving Gospel. Andy Stanley spoke about vision and gave the formula for it. Here it is:

VISIONEERING = INSPIRATION + CONVICTION + ACTION + DETERMINATION + COMPLETION

Clearly, the church has a mission that is driven by vision and leadership. Leadership is not the sole responsibility of those who bear titles. Leadership “lives” in every member of the church doing their very best to make the church great. Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Faithful Witness shape our efforts. Every soul in the life of the church has a ministry and plays a definitive role in the church’s strength.

With over 19 people in the choir, wouldn’t it be great if 11 more joined in to make our music program stronger? With nearly 167 people in worship weekly, wouldn’t it be great if 60 did better in their attendance record and help us eliminate empty spaces during worship? With nearly 100 coming to Sunday School, wouldn’t it make the program stronger if almost 15 more who currently do not attend Sunday School determined to start? Wouldn’t Wednesday Fellowship and program become even more vital than it already is if others thought of Wednesday as a time for church? The strength of the church is determined by people. We do not count on the numbers, but we do count on people.

Our church is strong, but it can get stronger. And it is time for that to happen!

Ken Timmerman

LEADERSHIP POINT: -Leaders do not complain without offering solutions to the issue. Complaints without solution is a negative way to lead.

CELEBRATION: On Saturday, August 12 Ethel Ann and Jackie Streater celebrated with family at the wedding of their daughter Julie Streater Coggeshall to Barry Coggeshall, who is the son of Ina and the late Dr. Ted Coggeshall. The wedding was officiated by Rev. Harold Lewis and Michael Dufault and was at Old St. David’s Church. The Coggeshall’s will reside in Pawley’s Island.

LAY SERVANT TRAINING: Courses will be available October 14-15 at Bethlehem UMC, Bishopville. To register you must have already completed the Basic Course. Register now if you have interest in continuing the journey in Lay Servant Education opportunities. It will cost \$45.00 to register.

Basic: Gene Feagin/Teresa Griggs

Leading Bible Study: Fran Elrod

Pastoral Caregiving: Anna Feagin/Emma Jones

Youth: Jeffery Tadlock

Planning Worship: Joseph James/Angela Nelson

Learning to Preach: Larry McCutcheon

REMEMBER: When you are away, the church continues to count on your support. Help us move forward during this summer in strong fashion because of your faithfulness. Go to church while you are on vacation, but stop by and leave your tithes and offerings here.

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: M&M John Wagnon

Lobby Door Greeter: John Sanderson, Harold Lomas

Nursery: Caroline Berry & Jean Assef

Next Week’s Lay Reader: Jim Bennett

Flowers Next Sunday: OPEN

Counters: Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell

Alternate Counters: David McLean, Walter Crosby

Worship Attendance, August 13 —176; **Attendance in Sunday School, August 13** — 87

Received to Date: \$259,958.31 (Includes \$11,163.50 from Contingency); **Expenses to Date:** \$259,346.03

Needed Weekly: \$6,968.15; **Received week August 13:** \$4,537.92

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

****Please take a moment and silence your cellphone for the duration of the worship service.
This is a sacred time when God communes with His people.**

In the eve of the Eclipse, I am mindful of a time long ago when the earth was covered in darkness during the daytime. On Calvary, the sun refused to shine as the Light of the World was crucified for all human beings. Millions did not gather on that hill to observe how the world was being changed that day. As the millions gather in South Carolina to view this Phenomena, it will remind me of the day long ago that had eternal implications for all people. *Ken Timmerman*

Prelude *Welcome to every visitor. Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew, putting the sheet in the offering plate.*

Call to Worship

***Hymn No. 117**

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE

*Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Open our eyes, Lord, that we may see Jesus. Open our hearts that we might feel his love. Open our minds that the truth spoken from heaven will be the truth embraced and lived out on earth. We come as people in need of being opened to the ways of heaven and ask that you transform us by our worship. May we see you in every person we encounter this morning and do our best to claim them as family. We praise you as the Lord and Father of us all, and we desire to be your children. Teach us the obstacles to that love that are produced by human pride, and help us remove them. For we pray in the name of Jesus who loves us all. Amen.

Life Lessons for Young Learners

Responsive Psalter Reading No. 858

Psalm 146

Hannah Leach, Lay Reader

***Affirmation of Faith No. 881**

“The Apostles’ Creed”

Lay Reader

*Gloria Patri

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer

Gathering God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

***Offertory**

“Hymn Medley”

Senior Choir

***Doxology No. 95**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

OLD 100TH

***Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

***Hymn No. 2149**

“Living for Jesus”

LIVING FOR JESUS

The Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

As we open the Scriptures this morning, give us receptive hearts and minds that we might hear the Truth and respond to it. Teach us your Word, O God. AMEN.

Scripture

Matthew 11; 11-19

Rev. Ken Timmerman

Sermon

“Eyes That Do Not See”

***Hymn No. 419**

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

I AM THINE

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

***Please stand if able.**