



St. Paul's Waccamaw

United Methodist Church
Pawleys Island, SC

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.

E Letter

August 10, 2017

9-Year Total for Our Peach Festival Exceeds \$100,000!

Heart-felt thanks to all! Due to the tremendous effort and hard work of St. Paul's congregation, our 9-year total is \$100,215. Despite the challenges this festival faced in 2017, the total this year (after expenses) is \$8,218. What a blessing and incredible positive impact on the local community. Every penny will be used to support needs such as Smith Medical Clinic, Students in the Word, St. Christopher's Children and several others.

Watch this space over the next few weeks to learn about the outreaches this will support.

Dear Administrative Council Member/ Ministry Leader,

I am writing to give you some information about a very important event coming up at St. Paul's:

Get ready for...

40 DAYS OF PRAYER:

SEEKING GOD'S FUTURE

I am VERY EXCITED about this time at St. Paul's, during which EVERY member of our church will be encouraged to spend time in prayer daily. Throughout the 40-day period, we will be holding three church-wide events designed to help all disciples in the church develop a deeper relationship with Christ through prayer and service.

This 40-day campaign is MUCH MORE than just a church activity; I TRULY BELIEVE that, if we as a church humbly seek God's direction and commit to follow His vision, God WILL honor and bless the wonderful congregation He has established at St. Paul's. Listed below are the events, the dates, and how you can help make them fantastic!

Saturday, August 26 8:00am-12:00pm Seeking God's Future Seminar

This event is meant for every church member, especially those who hold any position of leadership. The seminar will include more information about our 40 days of prayer, some key topics our Vision Committee has been discussing, and time in small groups "envisioning" God's future for us.

Sunday, September 17 Serving God Ministry Fair

This fair will include a display and brief presentation of each ministry/committee of the church, giving all church members an opportunity to grow as disciples by serving in some capacity. I hope this ministry fair will accomplish three things: 1) give church members a better understanding of all the wonderful ministries of St. Paul's; 2) encourage increased participation in the church's ministries; and 3) enhance the nominating process leading up to Charge Conference by helping recruit new committee members.

If you lead a committee or ministry in the church, please prepare a display and brief (1-2 minute) presentation about what you do and what needs you have for new members. The church office will provide you with a trifold and any other

materials you need for your display, and I would be happy to help you with any questions or concerns you have.

TBD Consecration Sunday

Consecration Sunday will be the conclusion of our 40 days of prayer. It will be a joyful celebration of our commitment to seek God's future by pledging financial gifts and service to St. Paul's in 2018.

It is difficult to convey in a letter the exciting burden God has put on my heart for us to unite as a church; for us to pray, seek, and serve God together. Please, please plan to attend these events and invite others to attend. I believe God will honor our efforts to have 100% participation in this time of prayer as a church body.

In Christ,
Aimee

Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry Sunday – August 13, 2017

The Story Continues—And You can help!

Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry, born at the 2003 Annual Conference, now begins its 14th year of service. ASNMM provides three homes for developmentally disabled adults: Columbia home for six women; Orangeburg at The Oaks for six men and Rick's House in Florence for four men. Sixteen residents live in a Christian environment with trained professional staff, dedicated to providing full time care in a loving home that encourages as much independence as possible. ASNMM, which receives no funds from apportionments or as a mission special, depends on contributions from churches, groups and individuals, as does its sister ministry, Epworth Children's Home.

ASNMM thanks those churches and individuals who have faithfully contributed on Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry Sunday and other times during the year. Your continued support will make it possible to care for our homes and residents and will enable us to reach out to other areas. Families and groups in a number of communities have requested that ASNMM consider homes in their areas. ASNMM will continue to respond as sites and funds are available; and approved by DHEC and DDSN.

The need for full time care for adults with special needs is growing. For many there comes a time when the care at home is unable to meet the level of care needed. ASNMM has made a small dent in meeting the need. It is a good start.

Please pray for Aldersgate. God has blessed this ministry. We are thankful.

Offering will be received on Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry Sunday—August 13, 2017

Thank you for your support,

Betty Moss McGuirt, Chairperson
Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry Board of Trustees

Special Study: Understanding the Lord's Supper

Have you ever wondered about the full meaning behind the words we hear during Communion? Join the JOY class on Sunday, August 13 for

a special (but short and in-depth) study of the Lord's Supper and the meaning of each phase spoken when we commemorate Jesus' Last Supper. We are sure you will be amazed to see how much the bread and cup stand for.

USHERES NEEDED

Ushers are needed for the 8:45 Service. If you would like to usher PLEASE call the church office at 843-237-22934.

Financial Status Reports

The July financial status report to the congregation will be distributed on August 20th as part of the bulletin.

July 2017 was a mixed results financial month. Our monthly income was slightly under the budget by \$2,345, while our expenses were \$594 less than the budget resulting in a monthly negative balance of \$6,974. Note: July expenses were budgeted higher than income based on timing of quarterly insurance premium.

For the year, through July, our income is \$16,582 short of the budget and our expenses are \$21,959 below the plan. Pledge receipts for June were favorable, slightly below the budget (1%). Non-pledge receipts continue to lag for the year – down 12.5%. Year to date expenses are still running lower than the budget.

e-giving – Coming Soon!

St. Paul's Waccamaw UMC is pleased to announce the introduction of an electronic option for making regular offerings – "e-giving." We have completed all the setup actions and successfully tested donations using online bank debits (ACH) as well as credit card transactions. Our "formal" start date will be August 20th for this new service. Specific details to setup online giving will come out the week prior. St. Paul's Waccamaw UMC website home page will update on August 14th to show the links for online giving. Dave Streeter will introduce e-giving to the congregation at services on August 20th.

As a reminder, contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card. Our new electronic giving program offers:

- convenience for you;
- much-needed donation consistency for our congregation;
- more security and less handling of money and checks;
- less time and effort to process contributions.

You will be able to sign up for e-giving from an online secure webpage accessible from our church website: <http://saintpaulsumc.com/>. If you prefer, you can submit a paper authorization form to setup e-giving. The form is available from the church office. You will need to provide a blank voided check when submitting the authorization form.

For those with smart phones, we will offer the ability to make donations through a free App compatible with Apple or Android phones (Give+). More information will be provided about this the week of August 14th.

If anyone is interested in getting a head start in setting up e-giving (starting August 14th), please contact me for assistance.

You are not required to use e-giving for offerings or donations, but we hope you will consider using this service. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me by email or phone (dstreeter@usa.net / 843-314-3539)

Dave Streeter

St. Paul's Waccamaw UMC Treasurer

Dear Supporters of the Baskervill Food Pantry,

I am writing on behalf of the Baskervill Food Pantry Leadership Team to inform you of a new program known as client choice which will be launched on September 11, 2017. In this program, we will be partnering with the Low Country Food

Bank (LCFB) in Myrtle Beach as a way to buy food in larger quantities at a significant cost reduction. We have talked and dreamed about offering client choice to our guests for several years and are excited to be able to bring our dream into reality. Client choice will allow our guests to be able to make the best choices for themselves and their families based on preference and nutritional value, taking their health challenges and family size into account. It will also provide them with a greater sense of dignity that comes with being able to make choices. If clients prefer a prepackaged bag, that will be available as an option.

In addition the LCFB has designated us as a Wellness Pantry, and they will assist us in providing nutritional educational opportunities to Pantry guests. This partnership will hopefully help us to continue to be an important provider in reducing hunger in our own community and to enhance our efforts to provide health education alongside Smith Medical Clinic.

John Van Hengel, Father of Food Banking, wrote that "the poor we shall probably always have with us, but why the hungry?" Unfortunately there are approximately 48,135,000 food insecure people in the United States. Of these, approximately 794,000 live in South Carolina, and many of them are in "food deserts." The food insecurity rate is 17.1% in Georgetown County. Last year the Baskervill Food Pantry served over 5000 adults and children in Georgetown County. With your continued support, our outreach efforts will only increase.

We continue to appreciate and need any and all food donations from individuals, churches, and food drives, as well as financial and prayerful support. Thank you for your ongoing and sustained support. Join us in celebrating this new moment as we continue to serve our neighbors in your name.

Sincerely,

Linda Ducharme for the Baskervill Food Pantry Leadership Team

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843-215-6656

PRAYER CONCERNS

Church Family

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Jean Elmore
Al Smith
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Rebecca Sinkway
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Imogene Friedrich
Martha Hoyns
Josie Shehanne
Doyle & Honey Yates

Bob Welsh
Barb Evans
Bruce Nicoll
Debbie Cooper
Sandra Kendrick
Eva Baxter
Ginny Hoover
Sharon Bray
Selma Piver
Joanne Gantt
Mary Seipel
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Mae Fuerneisen

Doris Lanier
Margaret Wilson
Marge Rinehart
Betty Greenwood
Steve Morrison
Dick Henn
Jim Simmons
Katy Hoyns
Jim Sinkway

Christian sympathy extended to Bill Galloway in death of his wife Connie. Bill can be reached at 1145 Hawthorn Drive, Pawleys Island, 29585.

Social Day Programs:

Tidelands Respite Care

Pawleys Island: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

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<http://saintpaulsumc.com>

180 St Paul Place

Pawleys island, SC 29585

Volunteer Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver training for their social day respite care program:

When: Wednesday, August 9th

Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm (Lunch included)

Where: St. Paul's Waccamaw United Methodist Church

180 St. Paul Place, Pawley's Island 29585

Friendship Room

Please RSVP to Tidelands Respite Care, Pam Gilligan at 843-991-7879 or email at

pam@tidelandsrespitecare.org for more information.

*First Program Day:

Monday, August 28th 10:00-1:45

Berly Hall

Fall Events 2017

Vacation Bible School: Fruit of the Spirit July 31st-August 4th, 9am-12pm, ages 2-11, lunch provided. Sunday Service & VBS performance on August 6th at 10am, following by an Ice Cream Social.

Social day Programs: Tidelands Respite Care Wednesday, August 9th, 10am to 3pm. (Lunch included) Volunteer Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver training for their social day at St. Paul's on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. First program day starts on Monday, August 28th at 10am to 1:45pm in Berly Hall.

Back to School Sunday August 20th special prayers and blessings for students and teachers as they begin a new school year of 2017-2018.

Visioning Seminar August 26th, 7:30am- 12pm A time of prayer and visioning for the up-coming church year.

Mommy Morning Out Program

Thursdays, 9:00 A.M. to 12 Noon, 1st & 3rd Thursdays

\$15 (First Child) \$25 (Two Children) Registration required.

September 7th & 21st October 5th & 19th November 2nd & 16th December 7th & 21st

Family Dinner & a Movie Friday, September 8th at 6pm. Enjoy great conversations and fellowship time over a family dinner, followed by a movie and snacks.

Grandparent's Day Ice Cream Social for all families and friends, Sunday, September 10th at 3pm in Berly Hall. Sponsored by the United Methodist Women.

MOPS-Mothers of Preschoolers 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 10am-12pm

@ Saint Paul's 10A.M. to 12 Noon, Free Event

Mother's group for Moms with Children birth to 5years of age

Food, Fun, Themed Topics, Conversations, Crafts, & more.

September 12th & 26th October 10th & 24th November 14th December 12th

Waccamaw Warriors Tailgate Friday, September 15th, Support our Waccamaw Highschool football players as they head into their first home game of the football season. Create encouraging signs and cheer them on as they leave our campus and head to their game.

Ministry Fair Sunday, September 17th, in Berly Hall, time TBA. Learn about the ministries at St. Paul's Waccamaw and find a place where you can serve.

Halloween Trunk of Treat Sunday, October 29th, 4pm-6pm, located in our parking lot. A safe and fun way to trick-or-treat, for families to enjoy decorative trunks, crafts, candy and more.

Veteran's & Local Hero's Thanksgiving Luncheon Sunday, November 12th, in Berly Hall, time TBA. Special prayers during Sunday Services followed by a lunch to express our appreciation or all those who serve and protect.

Thanksgiving Dinner TBA. Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner and fellowship time for all those who do not travel for the holiday.

Santa Secret Workshop & Parent's Night Out Friday, December 15th, 5:30pm-9pm.

Children will enjoy singing christmas carols, creating crafts, story-time, a Christmas movie & so much more. Dinner, snacks and drinks provided.

Living Nativity Sunday, December 17th, time TBA.

Enjoy hot chocolate by the firepit as you experience the nativity as it unfolds before you around the outside campus of St. Paul's.

Christmas Traditional & Contemporary Cantatas with Handbell Performance.
Dates & time TBA.

Christmas Eve Services Sunday, December 24th, 6pm, 8pm

Children's Christmas Eve Service at 4pm. A special service for children and families, who become part of the service, with children's costumes such as Angels, Mary, Joseph, Wise Men, Shepards and more.

Sunday Services: Traditional Service at 8:45am & Contemporary Service at 11:00am
Fellowship Time 9:45am-10am

Sunday School (for all ages) 10am-10:45am
Children's Nursery is opened from 8:30am-12:15pm
(Please remember all Sunday Services in December are at 10am only.)

This Week's Events

Sunday August 13

8:45 am: Traditional Service
9:45 am: Coffee/Fellowship
10:00 am: Sunday School
11:00 am: Celebration Service
1:30 pm: The Lakes of Litchfield Service

Monday,

August 14

6:00 pm: WOW Bible Study, Wings Room

Tuesday,

August 15

8:00 pm: AA Meeting, Joy Room

Wednesday,

August 16

Thursday,

August 17

7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous, Joy Room

Friday,

August 18

7:00 pm: AA, Joy Room

Saturday,

August 19

7:00 pm: AA, Joy Room

OUR SERVICE: Sunday, August 13, 2017 8:45

Altar Guild: Shirley Hutcheson, Dee Kramer

The Altar Flowers: Are given to the glory of God by Pam Gardner in memory Parents & In-Laws

Acolyte: Kyle Player

Crucifer: John Armstrong
Reader: Bill Hoover
Ushers: Joe & Shirley Mayhew, John & Pat Armstrong

OUR SERVICE: Sunday, August 13, 2017 11:00

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The Altar Flowers: Are given to glory of God by Pam Gardner in memory of her Parents & In-Laws.

Reader: Dot Lindamood

Ushers: Victor & Teresa Archambeau

Joy
Joy to the world
Joy in my world
Joy in your world
Makes the world go
Round!

Have a great weekend Everyone!