



THE GOOD NEWS

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HIGHLIGHTS

Morning Worship

10:15 a.m.

Sunday School

9:00 a.m.

June 5

**Teacher Appreciation
& Sunday School
Social**

June 5

**Safe Place
Training**

June 12

**Time & Talent
Dedication**

June 12-18

**Montreat Youth
Conference**

June 20-24

**Vacation Bible
School**

A Message From Our Pastor

Dear Friends,

The Lord is Risen! The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

We have heard that a lot over the last five weeks! – But, the truth is, we can never really hear it enough. It is the basis of our faith.

The Church Calendar gives us seven Sundays of Easter (seven!), - that's fifty days (The Fifty Great Days!), leading up to the day of Pentecost.

Pentecost comes from the Greek word meaning "fiftieth." Pentecost was the end of an ancient Jewish harvest festival (The Feast of Weeks) that lasted fifty days. It was also on this day (the Day of Pentecost) that the Holy Spirit was poured out upon all flesh (Acts 2), and the Church is said to be born!

We will be celebrating the Day of Pentecost in worship on Sunday, June 12th. We will be commissioning our Senior Highs on their trip to the Montreat Youth Conference, receiving our Second Sunday Offerings, and offering our stewardship commitments of our Time and Talents. We will also be doing

some new and different things – come and see!

Wear something **red** if you have it!

This is a great day to share our gifts and to recognize how the Spirit is moving among us, leading, guiding, and directing!

Pentecost is one of my favorite days on the Church Calendar, and one of my favorite Scripture readings comes the week before on June 5th – the Ascension of Jesus, from Acts 1:1-11. For me, Easter is the Good News that we can't get enough of, and Pentecost is our empowering charge to do something about it!

Over these next two Sundays, come and see and hear, and believe the Good News that Christ is risen! And know, that because he lives, we shall live also!

Alleluia! Amen!

Jeff

Graduation News



Dear Dorchester,

I'm a seminary graduate with a Masters of Divinity!! Can you believe it has been three years? I graduated from Columbia Theological Seminary on Saturday, May 14, 2011. It was a wonderful day complete with lots of pictures, tears, laughter, and much celebrating with friends and family! I want you all to know how thankful I am for each and every one of you; for your prayers, your support and your encouragement. I couldn't have done this without you!

This summer I will remain in Decatur. I'll be chaplain intern in a children's hospital. The program is called Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) and I will be at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. In the fall, I will be a student again completing a second Masters degree. It is a Masters of Arts in Practical Theology and I will focus in Christian Education.

I'm excited to be home some this summer and I'm looking forward to seeing you all soon! Thank you again!

Blessings, Carrie Bowers

Safe Place Training

June 5

If you are already volunteering or are interested in volunteering for nursery, children's church, vbs, Sunday school, youth group, or other programs, please come to this informative meeting about how our church creates a "safe place" for all the children, youth, and adults who come onto our campus. The ses-

sion approved our Safe Place Policy in 2008, which requires that one way we can create a safe place is to screen and train all of our volunteers.

We will meet immediately after worship in F204 and will have light refreshments to hold you over until lunch. Please let Dorothy know if you plan to attend.

Sunday School Social

June 5

Join us in the fellowship hall for breakfast and fellowship on June 5 at 9:15 am as we celebrate our amazing Sunday school teachers and the end to another great Sunday school year.

We really appreciate all of the hard work, time, dedication, and energy that our teachers have put in this year to nurture God's children of all ages. We will recognize all of the teachers in worship as well.

Children and Youth classes will resume September 18. Adult classes will continue to meet during the summer. Check the bulletin and website for more details.

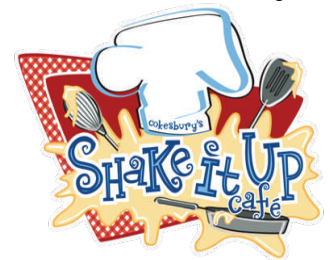


Join us as we celebrate our amazing Sunday School Teachers



Vacation Bible School

Sign your children up now for Vacation Bible School. We will have a lot of fun as we learn about God and grow in our faith. Registration forms can be found on the website, narthex, and church office and are due by June 12.



June 20-24

Senior Fellowship

The Senior Adult Fellowship will take a break until September 14. We would like to thank Sarah and Jenny for their many years of service coordinating this group! We need someone to take over next year, so please prayerfully consider and speak to Dorothy if you are willing.

Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women will not meet again until September 22. During the summer we will continue to work on crafts the second Monday night at 7 p.m. and the fourth Thursday at 10 a.m. All women attending Dorchester are invited to join us for crafts. Hope to see you there.

--Norma Jamrogowicz



Finance Committee Report

1-General Operation Funds

The reports through the end of April were reviewed at our committee meeting and assessing where we are in relation to our Income and Expenses, below you will see the income and expenses by month and where we stand though the end of April.

	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>Total</u>
Income	22,271	21,183	28,192	20,735	92,381
Expenses	24,678	28,601	24,332	25,902	<u>103,513</u>
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2-Mortgage Status (It's So Close You Can Touch It)

As y'all are aware in late January our mortgage balance was \$38,500, and we have never been this close to paying off the mortgage since we started building our present campus. The following is where we stand as of the end of April.

Goal	38,500
<u>Received</u>	<u>19,886</u>
Balance	18,614

We still have a way to go to pay off this balance. We thank all those who gave and continue to give and encourage those who have not yet given to do so between now and the end of July.

Peter Jones (Chair of Finance Committee)

The Presbyterian Village

On May 11, Norma Jamrogowicz invited the Senior Fellowship to have lunch at the Presbyterian Village. She was a wonderful host and concluded by sharing her reflections on moving there. We were so impressed that we asked if we could put it in the newsletter for everyone.

"I would like to share with you my decision making experience prior to coming to the Village. In 2004 my mother was 89 years old. Up until this time she had lived alone and had driven until she was 87, but she started having problems, and we were concerned about her being alone. Since I had retired, I stayed with her for a while hoping things would get better, but they did not so the doctor suggested we look into assisted living. I finally told her that she either had to come live with me in Goose Creek or we would have to find a place for her there, and she was so great to work with and very agreeable. There was not an opening at the Presbyterian Home in Florence, and she did not want to leave "home" so we kept looking. After assuring her she did not have to become a Baptist she moved into the Baptist home on August 6th, two days after she turned 90. My problem was I was the one that had to finally say the words, "it's time for assisted living". I promised myself then and there I would not do that to my children.

I think I always knew this is where I would be. I can remember as a child mom always said as she filled out here Mother's Day Offering envelope that she had better send some money because that is where she may live one day.

How do you know when it is time? I thought and prayed a lot about this and in November of 2009 I decided it was time. I had done a lot of updating on my current home and thought I had better sell it before something else needed to be done. I also realized I was depending more and more on my kids to help me with yard work and upkeep. At a family get together I told them I was going to have my friend Doug come to my house and tell me what I needed to do to get the house ready for the market and would list it after the first of the year. They were a little concerned at first but after visiting the Village with me they were on board.

The first words out of Doug's mouth were declutter, declutter, declutter. I got busy and with the help of the kids, everything was ready by the first of Febru-

ary. Actually the house looked so much better I was tempted to change my mind, but we put the house on the market. It sold in 8 days and by March 18th I was moving into my new home at the Village. I do feel God's hand in all this for everything to fall into place so fast.

They assigned me a cottage that had already been redecorated so if I was going to make any changes, I would have to pay the full amount, but someone moved out of a one bedroom unit that was due for updating, and they gave that one to me, so any changes I made were partly paid by the Village. I love my unit, my home. My kids say it is the greatest gift I could ever given to them.

I do not look at this move as the end of anything; it is the beginning of the next phase of my life. I am where I need to be, and have a place to go if I need more care in the future. Since being at the Village I have met so many special people and made many new friends. If I need "me time" I stay home; if I need company, I go to the main building. I am still active in the things at church that I did before and come and go as I please. The village does ask that I sign out if I am going to be away over night or for a long period of time. I have been on several trips with the groups here and taken several art classes and one cooking class. I work in my flower bed that my kids helped me set up. If I wanted a storage shed or outside work area I can do that. Last summer my air conditioner stopped, they checked it out and needed to order a part but brought me a portable unit until the part came in. One Saturday morning I woke up and found the heat not working, called the office and in 15 minutes someone was there, within an hour I had heat again. Even though I got rid of a lot of stuff, I do not feel deprived in any way. As I had yard sales and give always, I realized it was not the items but the memories and love I had in my heart that made these things seem so special. The love I felt there I brought with me the same as I had every time I had moved in the past.

If you are thinking about one day moving here, great, I will tell you like my friend Betty Clark told me, please come while you can enjoy being here. It is a safe place to be, and the staff is very caring and know most of us by name."

Norma Jamrogowicz



Time & Talent Dedication

June 12

We will dedicate our time and talents to God during worship on June 12 as part of our monthly Second Sunday Stewardship. How will you be a good steward of your time and talents for 2011-2012? How will you serve? The time and talent

brochures are now available with many opportunities to serve and grow. Please prayerfully consider how you will participate in God's work this year. If you have any questions, please speak with Jeff, Dorothy, a session member or deacon.



Montreat Commissioning Services

We will commission 11 youth and 4 adults on June 12 who will be going on the Montreat Youth Conference as well as 14 youth and 3 adults on July 17 who are going on the Montreat Middle School Conference. Please join us in praying for these youth and adults as they prepare for intense weeks of fun, prayer, fellowship, study, worship, and growth.

S.T.E.P.S.

Mark your calendars now for the annual S.T.E.P.S. presbytery event at Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church. This is a wonderful event for all of God's children on the journey of faith...there are classes on Bible study, music, Sunday school teacher tips, for elders, for dea-

cons...there really is something for everyone. It's also a great chance to share ideas, joys, sorrows, challenges, and lunch with Presbyterians from all around the Low Country! Look for the brochure in the narthex or office.



Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

You may have heard of Dave Ramsey, read one of his books, heard him on the radio, seen him on TV, or know someone who has taken this course. A short DVD that previews the 13 week program will be shown on June 5th. The course is a biblically based, common sense approach to achieving financial stability and will be offered by our church this fall starting on Monday, September 12th and

ending on December 5th. The cost per family unit to take this course will be \$100.00. A simple meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. followed by the class starting at 6:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m. More information will be provided as plans are finalized and we get closer to the start date. You may contact a member of the Outreach Committee with any questions.

CIFC Volunteers Needed

The mission committee recently became aware of a wonderful program at our sister church, Old Fort Baptist. Each Monday night Community Impact for Christ (CIFC) serves people who are below the poverty line in many different ways. Clients receive groceries, medical and dental treatment, supper, clothing, haircuts, help with resume writing, physical therapy, and financial counseling.

As you may suspect, many volunteers are needed. Volunteers serve in many different capacities and the frequency of volunteering is determined by you. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Lee, Susan or Harry Johnson.



Please consider prayerfully your call to help with this worthwhile project.

Talent Show Thank You

Thank you so much to all of the people who were in the talent show and all those who came to support the youth. As the night's MC, Connor stated "It really means a lot" and the evening was a lot of fun, because we all know that Dorchester's Got (A LOT OF) Talent! The youth were able to raise over \$800 for their trips and activities.



THANK YOU!
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Happy Birthday!

June

Steve Ulmer	1
Stephen Burchette	2
Michael Benton	6
Tom Trethewey	8
Marge Kramer	9
Scott Lodge	14
Sandra Nunn	17
Jacob Gamble	17
Trenton Howard	18
Ann Savage	19
Kevin Gossett	19
Susan Burnette	20
Ansley Savage	20
Gwen Faglie	21
Tony Savage	23
Anna Burnette	24
Leigh Burnette	25
Kirk Stewart	26
Billy Boan	26
Paul Wilbur	26
Mary Yates	27

Connor Richardson	29
Laura Nelson	30

July

Lauren Feltner	4
Brooks Bagwell	6
Kathelyn Kampwerth	9
Paul Campbell	10
Karene Feltner	16
Robert Hortman	17
George Barber	18
Caroline Campbell	18
Collin Burchette	18
Craig Dupree	21
Alexa Brice	21
Caleb Blackwelder	22
Jan Hayward	22
Jodi Smith	22
Dianne Barber	23
Britta Gnam	24
Mattie Monnet	24
Jim Brice	26
Dee Lesko	28

Teens, only

Sewing & Quilting Class

Summer

The youth of the church are invited to a sewing/quilting class this summer. Participants will make a drawstring backpack and possibly lap quilts for the elderly. No experience necessary.

All material will be furnished. A \$5.00 donation will be used to purchase several rotary cutters.

The class is scheduled for July 11-14, but could be August 1-4, either in the morning or evening. Talk with Dorothy or Mary Lee to sign-up.

Looking Ahead

July 20-24

**Montreat
Middle School
Conference**

August 7

Youth Sunday

August 27

**Presbytery
S.T.E.P.S. Event**

September 11

Rally Day

October 8

Dorchester Serves Day

November 11-13

Women's Retreat

Congratulations

Dorchester Black Sheep!

The DPC Black Sheep Volleyball team are champions once again after winning 2 out of 3 games in the finals on May 24. Way to go Don Oswald, Bob Ticknor, and Scott Wickersham!

Those Who Serve

June-July 2011

ELDER OF THE MONTH	June	Ramona Smith
	July	Ben Stark
COMMUNION SERVERS	June 5	Don Harmon, Bob Veline, and Julie & Steve Burchette
	July 3	Ben Stark, Judy & Steve Ulmer and Melanie Oswald
COMMUNION PREPARER	June 5	Jan Goin
NEWCOMER HOSTS	June 5	Diane & Scott Lodge
	June 12	Kylie & Brandon Page
	June 19	LeeAnne & Fred Newton
	June 26	Joan & Bob Semle
	July 3	Pam & Kirk Stewart
	July 10	Linda & Bob Veline
	July 17	Ann & Tony Savage
GREETERS	July 24	Randi & Steve Wells
	July 31	Kim & Mike Monnet
	June 5	Brooks & Ellen Styles
	June 12	Tom & Linda Trethewey
	June 19	Peter & Margaret Jones
	June 26	Lee & Barbara Jackson
	July 3	TBA
July 10	TBA	
NURSERY	July 17	TBA
	July 24	TBA
	July 31	TBA
	June 5	Judy Ulmer & Diane Barber
	June 12	Kylie Page & Jenny Ticknor
	June 19	Lindsey Stark & Anne Peterson
	June 26	Ann Anderson & Laura Nelson
July 3	Sara Gamble & Linda Marks	
July 10	Angie Houston & Alexis Killough	
July 17	Robin Bowers & Kylie Page	
July 24	Judy Ulmer & Jenny Ticknor	
July 31	Dennis Pankop & Susan Johnson	

NewsSpot

Susan Burnette was named teacher of the year for Givhans Alternative Program. She was recognized with other amazing teachers at the District-wide banquet on May 5.

Congratulations Susan!

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Rev. Dorothy Blackwelder, *Associate Pastor*

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Angie Krouse and Connie Judson, *Organists*

Karene Feltner, *Bookkeeper*

Lynn Miksche, *Church Administrator*

Joan Farrell, *Director, Good Shepherd School*

Amy Plexico & Angela Lafin, *Sunday Nursery
& Child Care-givers*

SUNDAY MORNING

Worship: 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

DORCHESTER SESSION

Elders

Class of 2011: Robin Bowers
Alex Hansen
Don Harmon
Harry Johnson
Peter Jones
Shirley Monnet

Class of 2012: Collis Boyd
Teddy Marcot
Brandon Page
Tony Savage
Randi Wells

Class of 2013: Jan Goin
Kelly Howard
Mike Lesko
Ramona Smith
Ben Stark

Clerk of
Session: Kathy Worthington

Board of Deacons

Class of 2011 Don Graves
Jim Mallory

Class of 2012 Margaret Jones
Joan Semle
Pam Stewart

Class of 2013 Mary Lee
Anne Peterson
Bill Rooney

DORCHESTER LEADERS

CHRISTIAN

EDUCATION: Kelly Howard
Randi Wells

FELLOWSHIP: Shirley Monnet
Ramona Smith

FINANCE: Peter Jones

GOOD SHEPHERD

SCHOOL : Bob Semle

MISSION: Robin Bowers
Tony Savage

OUTREACH: Collis Boyd

PERSONNEL: Shirley Monnet
Doug Richardson
Brandon Page
Jan Goin

PRESBYTERIAN

WOMEN: Norma Jamrogowicz

PROPERTY: Don Harmon
Harry Johnson
Ben Stark

SENIOR

FELLOWSHIP: Jenny Ticknor
Sarah Wickersham