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August 2024 Newsletter

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I love to tell the story



Pastor Jeff Roper

One Sunday after church, when my oldest son, David, was about six or seven years old, he remarked to me that one of the hymns in the service was his favorite hymn. He was referring to “I Love to Tell the Story.”

I recall asking him why that was his favorite and his reply, “I like what it says.”

Do we love to tell the story?

A couple of weeks ago we had our one-year anniversary celebration at church. What a landmark event! We chose being faithful to Scripture over doing the routine or the comfortable. We stepped out into uncharted waters

with faith that God would take care of us. We made the choice we knew we had to make. We took a stand. Why would we choose to do the hard thing? Why were we willing to pay the cost and jump through the hoops? I would suggest it is because we agreed it was a fight worth fighting. We were serious about our living faith.

The celebration on the 14th of July was wonderful! As always at PCC, the food was great and the time together was a special one. We had several people speak about various facets of our journey thus far.

However, we need to remind ourselves daily that we have not yet arrived. We will never “arrive” until Christ’s return. Our faith journey is an ongoing one.

Our call as Christians is to love each time we have the opportunity to tell the old, old story to some who have never heard. Jesus died for our salvation and calls us to accept God’s grace then live as His disciples. He calls each of us to share the Gospel and He equips each of us for the task. As Paul wrote to the Corinthians, we are all members of the body of Christ and we are to work together so that body functions as it is intended.

I praise God we are working together here at PCC! We see the eschatological task and we recognize we are all servants in God’s coming kingdom. We acknowledge that our unity and our faithful service to God are defeating the evil enemy. My praise for you is joined with my prayer that we all keep loving and laboring together. We have much to accomplish in the time ahead.

So, let us continue to love to tell the story of Jesus and His love for years to come!



Sunday, Aug. 4



**Emmaus Gathering
Friday, Aug. 16**



Saturday, Aug. 24

**Trustee of the Month:
Billy Ford
(843) 312-8098**



PCC caps now available for purchase

The PCC Men's Group has purchased some PCC caps to assist with outreach and supporting church activities. If you would like to purchase a cap, contact Gene Kodama. The caps will be sold at their cost – \$27 each for the first batch. They are of high quality and embroidered with the church logo. Another batch will be purchased when the first ones sell out.

PCC 1st Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, July 14



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| 1 | Denise Batchelor | 3 | Lorraine Reardon | 16 | Carolyn Nails |
| 3 | Myra Whaley | 5 | Brooklin Harrell | 18 | Randy Metts |
| 3 | Mariah Martin | 7 | Charlene Woods | 19 | Dot Gatlin |
| | | 8 | Eric Nettles | 19 | Joan Hawkins |
| | | 9 | Billy Ford | 20 | Yvonne Millwood |
| | | 10 | Hunter Maggard | 24 | Bradley Denny |
| | | 11 | Matt Mere | 27 | Effie Puckett |
| | | 12 | Jordan Swiney | 28 | Nancy Phillips |
| | | 16 | Ken Lehman | 30 | Ben Bender |

More photos from our 1st anniversary...



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BLAST NEWS



“When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.”
Psalm 56:3

I've always loved putting together school supplies. The freshness of a new notebook and organizing the pages in a binder was relaxing to my mind. It was a new beginning; a new year. Here we are yet again getting school supplies in order and getting ready to return for another school year! The summer goes by more quickly each year it seems. As we prepare our children for school, please remember to pray for them. Pray for the schools, teachers, students, and all school staff.

Join us on August 24th to pray over students and school staff as part of our Back to School Bash! Children will enjoy games and ice cream as we prepare for another year of learning.

*Mark your calendar! Youth meetings will begin again September 4th.

Upcoming Dates:

7/29/24-8/1/24: VBS

8/24/24: Back to School Bash!
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Youth Needs:

Volunteers for events! Please call or text Jaelyn to sign up for any event!

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Youth Director- Jaelyn Gatlin
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OUR MISSION: TO GROW YOUNG LIVES IN CHRIST; GUIDING THEM TO DISCIPLESHIP, EVANGELISM, AND FULFILLING GOD'S PURPOSE.



Announcements for August

VBS

Join us for Camp Firelight VBS July 29-Aug. 1 from 6-8:30 pm for ages 4 through 6th grade. Dinner is provided. See Jaclyn for more information.

WEDNESDAY WOMEN

Wednesday Women will meet on Saturday, Aug. 3, at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall.

BLOOD DRIVE



Our Semi-Annual American Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 4, from 11:30 am until 4:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Afternoon appointments are still available. For an appointment, please visit

redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or Robin Austin at (843) 209-1481. If you have given blood anywhere since June 9, you are ineligible for this drive. Light refreshments will be provided to all donors. Any donations of sandwiches, salads or desserts will be much appreciated. As a thanks for all donors who come to give blood during August, you'll get a \$20 Amazon.com gift card by email from the American Red Cross.

FRIENDSHIP CHURCH FUNDRAISER

Friendship Methodist Church will host another fundraiser meal on Sunday, Aug. 11. Their worship begins at 11 am, and the meal will be served after.

TRUSTEES

Trustees will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 6:30 pm in the Viv Ingle Bible Classroom.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir Practice is set to resume on Wednesday, Aug. 14. For more information, contact Brian Shepherd.

EMMAUS GATHERING

We will host an Emmaus Gathering on Friday, Aug. 16. Social time will begin at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite finger food to share. The gathering will begin at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. For more information, contact Sarah Hare.

PCC MEN

PCC Men meet on Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline to submit information in the September 2024 newsletter is Thursday, Aug. 22.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH

BLAST will have a Back-to-School Bash on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 10 am to 1 pm. See Jaclyn for more information.

CRUNCH BUNCH

Crunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, Aug. 29, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be hot dogs, chili, cole slaw and the fixin's, and dessert. Bruce Baltovi will entertain on the piano. All are welcome to come and bring a friend.



WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Wonderful Wednesdays will resume its weekly schedule on Wednesday, Sept. 4. A covered-dish supper begins at 5:30 pm, and Bible Study and BLAST begin at 6 pm.

MONCKS CORNER FARMERS MARKET

Sarah Hare, Georgie Ford and friends are selling baked goods at the Moncks Corner Farmers Market every Thursday from 3-7 pm behind Delta Pharmacy. Jim and Fran Bunch will also be there selling fruits and vegetables.

CUB SCOUTS & BOY SCOUTS

Cub Scout Pack 743 for ages 5-11 meets on Monday nights at 6:30 pm in the Education Building. For more information, contact Donna Lynes at (843) 696-2438. Boy Scout Troop 743 meets Monday nights at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall for boys ages 12-18. For information, contact Chris Benton at (843) 754-6859.

GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scout Troop 192 resumes meetings on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 6 pm in the Seekers Classroom. Contact Brenda Butler at (843) 670-4855 for more info.

UPPER ROOM

Copies of the July/August *The Upper Room* in regular and large print are available in the Fellowship Hall and the church office. Past issues are available on a bottom shelf in the library. If you need a copy mailed to you, please contact Marcy in the church office at (843) 761-8477.

HOUSE OF RAEFORD CHICKEN SALE

House of Raeford will have another pickup sale on Saturday, Aug. 24, at the Moncks Corner VFW. To order, go online to: houseofraeford.store/collections/moncks-corner. For more information, call (910) 284-3339.

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| 4 9 am: Sunday School 10 am: Worship Blood Drive (FH) | 5 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts 7 pm: Boy Scouts | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 <i>Fellowship Hall Reserved</i> |
| 11 9 am: Sunday School 10 am: Worship Friendship Church Fundraiser Meal | 12 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts 7 pm: Boy Scouts | 13 6 pm: Girl Scouts (EB) 6:30 pm: Trustees (VI) | 14 | 15 | 16 6 pm: Emmaus Social (FH) 7 pm: Emmaus Gathering (Sanctuary) | 17 |
| 18 9 am: Sunday School 10 am: Worship | 19 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts 7 pm: Boy Scouts | 20 6:30 pm: PCC Men (FH) | 21 | 22 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> | 23 | 24 10 am-1 pm: Back-to-School Bash |
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