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February 2024

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February 14, 2024

Soup and Cornbread: 6:00 PM

Worship: 7:00 PM

Hosted at MUMC

The people of Historic Trinity African Methodist Episcopal Church and Manning United Methodist Church gather to “confront our own mortality and confess our sin before God within the community of faith.” Let us not be ashamed of our need to confess our sins together or ashamed of our need for a savior, for this is the beginning of holiness. **May Christ be praised.**

LENTEN LUNCHEONS



February 26

REV. AARON GROSS
PASTOR AT SEACOAST MANNING

March 4

REV. JENNIFER PRICE
PASTOR AT SUMMERTON UMC



March 11

REV. THOMAS SMITH
PASTOR AT CENTRAL UMC



March 4

BISHOP L. JONATHAN HOLSTON
SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Contact the office for tickets!

From the Pastor

Dear ones,

On January 7th, we celebrated a Congregational Remembrance of Baptism. The liturgy that we used is entitled “Congregational Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant.” Similar to Confirmation where we “make firm” our covenant with God through faith in Christ Jesus, reaffirming the baptismal covenant is a way of making our covenant with God firm, in the now, as a present to us reality.

Many of us were baptized when we were very young. That was the case for me. I was baptized by the Rev. Jim Mishoe on August 15, 1971— just a couple months before my second birthday. My parents took the baptismal vows for me and indicated that they would teach and guide me to accept the grace of God for myself. They pledged to help me to profess my faith in Christ openly and grow in grace. I received all of the many benefits of baptism that day and I became a baptized child of God. I was initiated into the Body of Christ, the Church. I was joined to the wondrous acts of God to bring salvation to human beings and to all Creation. I received a new family who promised to nurture me in the faith, to teach me the beliefs of Christ’s Church, and to guide me in finding my purpose in Christ. My sins— past, present, and future— were washed away to be remembered no more. I was clothed with the righteousness of Christ. I died to self and was raised to new life in Jesus, with the sure and certain hope that I will share in his final victory over Death and Hell. I was given new birth through water and the Holy Spirit for the purpose of being a faithful disciple of Jesus. These are the promises of baptism that became mine on that day, and for evermore.

As we bustle along through life it is easy to forget all this. This is why the Church promised to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to me. I need to hear it every single day lest I forget that I have been saved by grace through faith and begin to think that I must somehow save myself through good behavior. All of us who are the Church of Jesus Christ make that same promise to every little one (and every old one) who comes to the waters of Baptism. We promise to proclaim the Good News along with them and to live as examples in the way that leads to life.

After Samantha and I were married, we began looking for a local place to worship. We found Swansea UMC and stuck there, mostly because it seemed that they were the only congregation we visited that was glad to see us. Over the course of our time with them, they helped me to hear my calling to pastoral ministry as something other than a threat to my happiness. They fulfilled the pledge of the congregation in which I was baptized as they helped me to “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ.”

As I was growing more mature as a disciple I began to think about baptism and asked my pastor at the time, the Rev. Hyo Kim, if I could be baptized again. As a faithful and theologically well-grounded pastor, he rightly and faithfully told me “no.”

The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church lists re-baptizing a person as unauthorized conduct for which the Licensed Local Pastor or the Ordained Elder can be brought up on charges and dismissed from pastoral ministry. It is a serious offense for us. The Discipline also tells us why this is so. It states: “The practice of re-baptism does not conform with God’s action in baptism and is not consistent with Wesleyan tradition and the historic teaching of the Church. Therefore the pastor should counsel any person seeking re-baptism to participate in a rite of reaffirmation of baptismal vows.” This is exactly what Rev. Kim offered to me and the rest of the congregation. It gave me a chance to affirm the vows that my parents had taken for me and reaffirm the commitment that I had made at my Confirmation.

The rite is a reminder that we **are** baptized, not that we were baptized. So we use the water to mark the sign of a cross on our forehead or in some other way that cannot be confused with laying the hand on the head and saying “I baptize you.” Our baptism remains continuously effective for us because baptism is God’s action for us and is, therefore, complete and needs no improvement. When I say to someone, “I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,” I am serving to re-present Christ. I stand in his name. I am not the one who makes baptism work. It is truly God who baptizes us and makes our baptism effective for us, not the pastor, but the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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In the rite of reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant, we call to mind the work that God has done and is doing for us through our baptism into Christ Jesus. We pray these words over the water:

Pour out your Holy Spirit,
and by this gift of water call to our remembrance
the grace declared to us in our baptism.
For you have washed away our sins,
and you clothe us with righteousness throughout our lives,
that dying and rising with Christ
we may share in his final victory.

Some of you shared with me how meaningful it was for you to have the opportunity to remember your baptism and the promises of God that come along with being a baptized disciple of Jesus. I am more than glad that the service was meaningful for you. It has been so for me as well. As we move into this new year of ministry together, I pray that we will be constantly reminded that we are joined to Christ (and to one another) through this marvelous gift of baptism which is always a current reality for us. We are not just people who have been baptized but we **are** the baptized Church of Christ. Tradition tells us that the Rev. Martin Luther once said that every time we wash our face we should remember our baptism. I think about this sometimes when I am shaving, especially on Sunday mornings before I come to lead worship, which is something that I am enabled to do through my baptism.

I encourage you to ponder your baptism and what it means to you to know that you are a member of the Body of Christ, that you have been raised to new life in Christ, and that you share in Christ's final victory.

Remember your baptism, and be thankful.

FRANK DAVID

Remember your Baptism photos from Worship on January 7th



New Member Info:
Welcome!
Kimbo and Katie Richardson
17 Ridge Lake Dr. 29102
Katie: 843-670-4267
Kimbo: 843-906-7118



We cordially invite you to

THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF CCLC

To celebrate all God has done in the ministry of Clarendon Christian Learning Center

February
 Sunday 4 at 3:00 PM
 2024

Weldon Auditorium
 7 Maple St, Manning
 Light refreshments to follow program

2024 Tithes & Offering	
Needed Each Week	\$ 9,794.00
	Received Weekly
Jan. 7	\$ 11,399.89
Jan. 14	\$ 15,318.86
Jan. 21	\$ 4,814.48
Jan. 28	\$ 14,478.89
Total Received	\$ 46,012.12
Needed Year to Date	\$ 509,288.05
Total Received YTD	\$ 11,399.89
Overage or (Deficit)	\$ 1,605.89

Date	Worship Attendance	FB Live
Jan 7	9:30 am Sunday School—56 Worship 10:30 am — 115	Views 261
Jan 14	9:30 am Sunday School— Worship 10:30 am — 124	Views 330
Jan 21	9:30 am Sunday School— Worship 10:30 am — 112	Views Not available
Jan 28	9:30 am Sunday School— Worship 10:30 am — 115	Views 346

The Flower Calendar for the 2024 year is in a note book in the church office. All the yellow highlighted days are open for arrangements. If you wish to have flowers on any of these Sunday's please call or email the church office.

2024 Flower Calendar					
February	4	11	18	25	
March	3	10	17	24	31
April	7	14	21	28	
May	5	12	19	26	
June	2	9	16	23	30
July	7	14	21	28	
August	4	11	18	25	
September	1	8	15	22	29
October	6	13	20	27	
November	3	10	17	24	
December	1	8	15	22	29

Butter Braid Pastry Sale

Ends March 6th

Pick up 3/19/24 at 10 am

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Options: # wanted @\$16

Apple _____

Cinnamon _____

Cream Cheese _____

Four Cheese and Herb _____

Strawberry Cream Cheese _____

Blueberry & Cream Cheese _____

Bavarian Crème _____

Raspberry _____



Notes:

NO tax

These pastries are frozen so they stay fresh!

Checks can be made out to MUMC

We make \$6.50 for every pastry sold

Payment due when order is placed

Our Prayer List Please remember the people below in your prayers.

This list is in continuous rotation, if you do not see your loved one on this list please call the church office and update us on their health.

Milton Ackerman	Ann Cutter	Don Lee
Jane Benton	June Davis	John Lesemann
Betty Black	Elisa Furse	Ken Lovorn
Sandra Brewer	Lisa Gibbons	John Mathis
Chuck Buddin	Jerry Ham	Clint Michaelson
Jake Buddin	Annie Laffey	Karen & Ronnie Myers
Sylvia Clark	Tom Lahmon	Tim Richburg
Betty Cory	Jackie Lamb	Linda Rogers
		Jacey, Thomas, and Baby Sandifer

Please remember to Pray for our members who are living away from home, in the **military**, or who have limited mobility:

Joyce Bowers	William (Artie) Gamble	Neal Mahoney
Isabelle Brown	Woody Haynes	Joan Odom
Dedee Clark	Bettye Johnson	Willie Sabb
Rosella Daniels	Margaret Lee	Jean Schmelzle
Liz Denny	Wilson Lepp	Cliff Toner
Jared Dube		



David Burgess Stephens

Monday January 29th

Weighing 9lbs 21 3/4 inches

Excited parents, Sarah & Daniel Stephens & big brother George

Thank you

“Thankful” is an imperfect description for how our family feels. The love and compassion you have shown us is a testament of how God’s love can make a difference. We were filled with joy by the many cards, letters, foods, flowers, hugs, and prayers. God’s hand is at work, and He has gained the best artisan of all. We will be forever grateful for your encouragement, benevolence, and love. Indeed, you have revealed the true foundation of kindness and compassion. The family of Spencer Jordan, Kimber, Jake, & Mickey

Evangelism

The Evangelism Team needs greeters for the months of March and April. Please contact the church office if you will be able to serve one Sunday.

Souper Bowl of Caring

There is a special program that will run from the middle of January to the middle of February called the Souper bowl of caring. Every canned good or dollar donated through Manning United Methodist Church will be matched and given to United Ministries. For this program, any checks or cash donated to United Ministries must go through Kelly first, as she must report it through their grant program. Checks are still made out to United Ministries. Any food/canned goods must be placed in a designated bin because it has to be counted/photographed and reported as well. This is an amazing opportunity for us to double donations! I am letting you know, hoping you will consider donating during this time frame. I would even encourage you to consider making a yearly donation during this time because it gets doubled. Please pass on this information as it is a winning situation. Please contact Kelly if you have any questions.

<p>Spencer Jordan given by: Artie & Beverly Felder, Carolyn Coffey, Will & Rachel Gainey Lauri & Fuzzy Furse Carolyn Chilton Genie & Winston Hodge, Annette Browder Jo Gamble Bo & Amy Bozard AB & Sue Jordan Rock & Vicki Ouzts Randy & Sarah Smith Ann & Sonny Sanders</p> <p>Anne Haley given by: Jake & Elaine Buddin Jim Black Gaye & Kermit Holladay Lucy Morris Christopher & Deanna Carter Larry & Patsy Williamson Lauri & Fuzzy Furse Jean Prothro Bruce & Mary Ann Fields</p> <p>Rusty Odom given by: Jim Black Larry & Patsy Williamson AB & Sue Jordan Jean Prothro</p> <p>Nell Black given by: Stan & Lu Nickell</p> <p>Dalton Page given by: Stan & Lu Nickell</p> <p>Michael McLaughlin given by Mary Jo Gamble</p>	<p>Lamar Kennedy given by: Johnny & Ruthie Odom Renee & Daniel Russell Jake & Elaine Buddin Jim Black Margaret & Tommy Cooper AC & Ann English Sam & Linda Gamble Betty Cole Andy & Jennifer McFaddin Larry & Patsy Williamson Ray Ridgeway Buck & Dianne Sprott Dawn & Louis Griffith Alfred Breedin Gene & Joan Barber Lauri & Fuzzy Furse Ashley & Lou Holladay Harriet & Jimmy Holladay AB & Sue Jordan Jim Scott, Jean Prothro The Buyck Family Randy & Sarah Smith Ann & Sonny Sanders Craig & Mary Perry Kimberly & Cal Land Gloria & Ken Holladay</p> <p>Geraldine McInnis Weaver given by: Mary Jo Gamble Gene & Joan Barber</p> <p>Fin Coffey given by: Stan & Lu Nickell</p> <p>Mattie Boyce given by Mary Jo Gamble</p>
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February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 5:30 UMYF	5 8-12 pm MUMC Day School 11 am Prayer Team 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	6 8-12 MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	7 8-12 MUMC Day School 4:30 pm CIA 7:00 pm Choir	8 8-12 MUMC Day School 2:00 pm Jane Craft Circle 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	9 8-12 MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	10 9 am-12 LMA Gym
11 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 5:30 UMYF	12 8-12 MUMC Day School 10 am Nelle Wells Circle 11 am Prayer Team 6-8 pm LMA Basketball 6:30 pm United Methodist Men's Supper	13 8-12 MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	14 Ash Wednesday Valentines Day 8-12 MUMC Day School 10:30 am Senior Bingo 4:30 pm CIA 6 pm Dinner & 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service @MUMC	15 8-12 MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	16 8-12 MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	17 9 am-12 LMA Gym
18 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 5:30 UMYF	19 Presidents Day! 8-12 NO MUMC Day School 11 am Prayer Team 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	20 8-12 No MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	21 8-12 No MUMC Day School 4:30 No CIA 6 pm Finance 7:00 pm Choir	22 8-12 No MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	23 8-12 No MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	24 9 am-12 LMA Gym
25 1st Sunday in Lent 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 5:30 UMYF	26 8-12 MUMC Day School 12:00 pm Lenten Luncheon Jane Craft Circle 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	27 8-12 MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball	28 8-12 MUMC Day School 4:30 pm CIA 7:00 pm Choir	29 8-12 MUMC Day School 6-8 pm LMA Basketball		

Happy Birthday!

Feb. 3 Jake Buddin, Shayne Stephens
 Feb. 6 Jerry Robertson, Tommy Benton, Joe Coffey,
 Jackson Brunson, Don Lee
 Feb. 8 Laura Drose
 Feb. 12 Johnny Odom, Ann Bethea Barwick
 Feb. 13 Ashton Welch, Alex Strickland

Feb. 14 Collin Powell
 Feb. 15 Daniel Russell, Mills Lee
 Feb. 16 Mike Burns, Cora Wichelns
 Feb. 17 Ansley Elmore
 Feb. 22 Hal Lowder
 Feb. 23 Stephanie Brewer
 Feb. 26 Camlin McLellan
 Feb. 27 G.G. Cutter
 Feb. 28 Artie Felder, Thomas Stoia



Feb. 1-Fuzzy & Laurie Furse
 Feb. 15-Robert & Sylvia Clark
 Feb. 22-Daniel & Renee Russell

The Back Page February



Remember these fantastic pastries?

Our youth will be selling these starting Feb 18th through March 6th



And the Winner is....

Join us Feb. 18th for our annual youth flamingo awards during the Worship Service



Please cheer for Hunter and his dance partner, Mary Catherine, at LMA's Dancing With the Swampcats competition

2/10/24 at Weldon Auditorium



Remember that any donations to United Ministries will be **doubled**

See Kelly for details
Deadline 2/15/24

