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We have restarted all of our gatherings (see inside)



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From the Pastor's Desk... For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith." (Romans 1:16-17, ESV)

Happy New Year! And now, we start to wonder: What kind of year will 2022 be?

It's that time of year again where we wonder, we predict, we worry, we plan, and we ponder - what will I be or do this year? Will it be an ordinary year? A wonderful year? A terrible year? Or worse - another 2020? (ugh!) What kind of year will 2022 be?

I wish I could say, with a Biblical sort of prophetic clarity, "This is my vision for 2022" and lay out the significant events, challenges, opportunities, & potholes the coming year will have. But I can't - nor can anyone I've ever known. I can tell you what I *hope* happens, or what might happen based on experience & best guesses - but that's all they are.

But what I can do is this: ***This is my vision for 2022:*** God will be faithful. Jesus will be the Only Savior. The Spirit will work through Jesus' Church. And the Gospel is God's plan to save.

This is my vision for 2022: God will be faithful - what does that mean? That God doesn't change, God doesn't look at what we look at, God won't be thwarted. As my wife's favorite song sings: "No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand." God will be faithful - just as He's always been faithful and will always be faithful. So that means ***I can trust that the God who I know will keep me safe during my eternal life will be with me & for me in my earthly life!***

This is my vision for 2022: Jesus will be the Only Savior - what does that mean? That Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever, and that Jesus Himself said, "I came to seek & to save the lost." Jesus will save, doing what He came to do - by healing, by helping, by feeding, by breaking the power of sin, of death, and of hell. So that means ***I can know that my sins have been forgiven by the One who voluntarily took my sin on Himself and gave me both His perfect record, and His earth-changing mission!***

This is my vision for 2022: The Spirit will work through Jesus' Church - what does that mean? That, as a church, as God's family, saved by faith in Jesus, we don't have to go it all on our own. We don't have to do it by ourselves, using our minds, our abilities, our resources alone. Yes, we need those things & God gave us those things - but He gave the Church, His Church the Spirit of God Himself. So that means ***I have access to divine power in ministry, divine guidance in mercy, and divine love in preaching.***

This is my vision for 2022: The Gospel is God's plan to save - what does that mean? That we need to be saved - we've sinned and we know it. We need to be saved - we want eternal life, but can't get there without help. We need to be saved - and the Gospel, the Good News, is that Jesus saves. So that means that ***I need to be sharing Jesus, with the Spirit's help, with the Church, knowing that Jesus is the Only Savior, and that God will be faithful to me while I share Jesus.***

So whatever 2022 brings, the good, the bad, the ugly, no matter what, God's got us. The Gospel is His power, poured out in my life, and my life can be the vessel by which God pours out that Gospel power on Bishopville's life. And if I want to see *anything* in 2022, that's what I would love to see most of all.

This is my vision for 2022: God bless you! Pastor Chris



<u>January Sunday Sermons</u>		
2nd:	<i>The Power of the Gospel</i>	Romans 1:1-16
9th:	<i>Seeking for Glory</i>	Romans 2:6-16
16th:	<i>Justified by Faith</i>	Romans 3:10-25
23rd:	<i>It Depends on Faith</i>	Romans 4:13-25
30th:	<i>Peace with God</i>	Romans 5:1-11

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

Happy New Year! We at the Session are hopeful you spent a wonderful time with family and loved ones over Christmas and New Years. What an exciting time it was here at the Church between the advent activities, children running a service, covered luncheon, Christmas concerts, hanging of the greens, and so much more. We are excited to move into 2022 with a new ministry on the horizon "Blessing Boxes". These boxes look like oversized mailboxes and will be stocked/maintained with food, necessities, and of course, Bibles. We're building 4 of them and placing them throughout the city of Bishopville. We anticipate our children taking an active role in stocking, maintaining, and updating the Church about their progress. We are hopeful that by the first of January or mid-January we'll have a few to bring to Church and show around.

The Session has been spending time thinking through and working on new ministries for the Church. Our members know of various needs throughout the community, and if there is a way the Church can help meet those need, please do let us know

If there is anything the Church or Session can do please let us know.

In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session


Next Session Meeting: January 9th @ 8:30 a.m.

JANUARY ELDERS-ON-CALL

***Eddie Boykin, Matt Bramlett, Bert Cousar**

***denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities**

The Session has called a **Congregational Meeting for January 16th**, during worship service, for the purpose of; reporting the 2021 statistics and financial records, presenting the 2022 budget and the Pastor's 2022 Terms of Call, for approval



1st Quarter Communion
January 2, 2022

Elders in charge: Bert Cousar,
Gregg McCutchen, Ray Drayton



Thank you to the PW and all others who remembered me during this Christmas season! I truly appreciate your help, your patience and gifts - Kind regards, Gwen

*Thank you to everyone who remembered us during this holiday season and all year long.
Merry Christmas, Chris & Laura*

December 2021 Statistics

Attendance Average's

Worship: 61 Sunday School: 22

Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)

MTD Income received:	\$31,334.55
YTD Income received:	\$183,357.04
Budgeted YTD Income Needed:	\$216,537.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$20,500.03
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$190,437.25
Budgeted YTD Expenses:	\$216,537.00

Non-Budgeted Income & Expenses (Memorial, Building, & Cemetery Funds)

MTD Income received:	\$2,750.00
YTD Income received:	\$8,670.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$5000.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$5012.66



Men of Church

January 19th @ 7:00 p.m.

Host: Steven Frazier

Please join us for good food & good fellowship

PW Circles

January Circle Hostesses

Night (17th) Jennifer McCutchen

Morning (18th) ... Renee Bell

Circle meetings will be held in the Fellowship Hall

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Bishopville, SC 29010

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Unless otherwise noted

2022 Business Office vacation/holiday closings:

January 3rd (Mon.) & 17th (Mon.)

April 13th (Wednesday)

May 25th - 30th (Wed. - Mon.)

June 29th - July 5th (Wed. - Tues.)

August 17th - 22nd (Wed. - Mon.)

September 5th & 6th (Mon. & Tues.)

October 5th - 10th (Wed. - Mon.)

November 23rd - 28th (Wed. - Mon.)

December 20th - 27th (Tues. - Tues.)

Please contact office to update any pertinent information to your records (pref. by email)

SANTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR



JANUARY 2022

2nd: Jenny & Gregg McCutchen
 9th: Steven & Kerry Frazier
 16th: Crues & Renee Bell
 23rd: Virginia & Charlie Ipock
 30th: Carol & Billy Finethy

FEBRUARY 2022

6th: Jim Ed & MaBeth McCutchen
 13th: Iris Thomas family
 20th: OPEN
 27th: Marsha & Jimmy McCutchen

MARCH 2022

6th: Renee & Crues Bell
 13th & 20th: OPEN
 27th: Steven & Kerry Frazier

APRIL 2022

3rd: OPEN
 10th: Hugh & Retta Tindal (Palm Sunday)
 17th: Renee & Crues Bell (Easter Sunday)
 24th: Sarah McCutchen Family

MAY 2022

1st, 22nd, 29th: OPEN
 8th: Lila Mae Welsh Family (Mother's Day)
 15th: Jim Ed & MaBeth McCutchen

JUNE 2022

5th: William Welsh Family
 12th: Dot & Buddy Wilson Family
 19th: Crues & Renee Bell (Father's Day)
 26th: OPEN

JULY 2022

3rd: Virginia & Charlie Ipock
 10th: James & Harriett Watson Family
 17th & 24th: OPEN
 31st: Reese & Melinda Atkinson

AUGUST 2022

7th: Bert Cousar
 14th: Debbie & Bill Tindal
 21st: Bill Welsh Family
 28th: Gregg & Jenny McCutchen

SEPTEMBER 2022

4th & 11th: OPEN
 18th: Jennifer & Perry McCutchen
 25th: Reese & Melinda Atkinson

Please contact Church office to use an OPEN date (preferably by email) or to change date or be added/removed from running calendar

Happy Birthday January February

Robert McCutchen III	2	Kayla McCutchen	1
Ann West	2	Laura Latimer	4
Rhetta Simon Cloyd	3	Hampton Gaskins	15
Chip Smith	3	Martha Kay Hunt	15
Bill Tindal	3	Benny Welch III	15
Kody Mills McCutchen	4	Patrick Finethy	17
Michael Farver	5	Laura Parnell	19
Will McElveen	9	Bubba Muldrow	20
Kean Scott III	9	Myers Varn Floyd	21
John Crues Bell IV	12	Shirley Wallace	28
Bill Conway	13		
Steven Welsh	13		
Ken Cutler	14		
T-Bo Ellen	16		
Carole Scott	18		
Ruby Nell Bailey	20		
Aidan Hilditch	25		
William Clyburn Ipock	26		
Brooke Harrington	30		
Amber Harrington	30		
Josh Kirven	30		
John Latimer	30		



Happy New Year!!!

Homebound

Our HOMEBOUND Members

Doris Bell, Memory Care Manor, Florence
BJ Kerr @ McCoy Nursing Center
Laura Latimer, The Blake, Elgin
Dick & Beth McCutchen @ their home
Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
Hugh Tindal @ his home



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23RD

6:00 PM

Program TBD

Bring a covered-dish and join us!



The Holy Sacrament of baptism will be administered to **Helen Burns Belk** on Sunday, January 30th.

The proud parents are Phillip & Terri Ann Belk. Proud grandparents are Bill & Debbie Tindal





**Presbyterian Women
RADA fundraiser
for Ministry & Missions**

You can order through our website, Facebook page, or the unique link below to help support them year round
<https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=1838016.df3fba>



Prayer Resources for Students & Faculty
Prayer & resource guides are available through the Church office (just call during office hours or send an email) or you may [click here to view them online](#)



Nursery Volunteers Needed

Parents/Grandparents of small children are urged to volunteer in the Nursery on Sunday mornings. There's a sign-up sheet in the Bell Tower room, or you may email/call the Church office

Children's Choir coming soon!!!



Thank you to all that are interested in a Children's Choir @ Bishopville PC. We have enough families interested with Children aged 4 - 7 to make a choir possible!

We will be in touch soon. Thanks, Ari Dickinson

Jewish Voice Ministries



In November we collected and sent \$495.51 to help Churches, recently planted in Ethiopia & Zimbabwe! Coin banks are in the Bell Tower room and can be picked up and dropped off any time of year, in the office. **Thanks to everyone who participates! Next Collection Date: MAY 15th ...**

Small change can create BIG change!



New Ministry on the Horizon!

“Blessing Boxes”

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All 5th Sunday loose offerings will be placed into the Kids for Christ Mission Fund. Please note “Kids4Christ” on all gifts outside this timeframe> Please make checks payable to BPC. If it is for a specific need or project, please indicate the need on your check or correspondence, as well. Thank you for supporting our Children and helping them to make wise life choices and caring for others, especially those in need or less fortunate

BRIDGES

David & Estelle Abernathy

November 2021



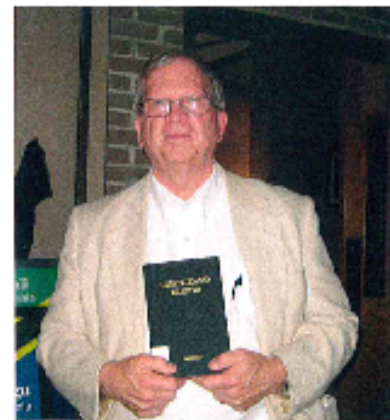
Numbers

When I finished updating the Exegetical Summary of 1 Peter in September, my focus turned to the next Exegetical Summary project, which is selected portions of the book of **Numbers** (about the equivalent of eight chapters). This should be an interesting project, as it covers the Aaronic blessing (6:23-27), the cloud over the tabernacle (9:15-23), water in the desert, Aaron's death, and fiery snakes (20:1-21:9), the story of Balaam (22:1-24:25), and a couple other passages.

Since we sent out our last newsletter, I have also edited the updating of the Exegetical Summaries of Colossians (458 pages, around 180,000 words), Philippians 1-2 (212 pages, close to 100,000 words), Exodus 5-13 (705 pages and 164,490 words), and portions of 37 Psalms. That's a lot of numbers!

Dedication of the Malila and Ndali New Testaments

Speaking of numbers, on September 30 at the JAARS Center we celebrated the dedication of 23 minority language New Testaments and two complete Bibles. Two of the students I had when I was teaching in Nairobi assisted in the translation of two of those New Testaments, so I have a small sense of ownership in those translations. One was for the Malila people in Tanzania, numbering about 78,000 people. The other was for the Ndali people of Malawi and Tanzania, who number around 193,000 in both countries. Over a quarter of a million people can be served by these two translations!



With the Ndali New Testament

The number of languages keeps changing

In our May newsletter we reported that there are 7,359 languages in the world. Now the number stands at 7,378. How can the tally increase that much in such a short time? The answer to that question is that language surveys are constantly being done. In a survey we evaluate how well the speakers of one variety or dialect of a language understand other people who are speaking a related variety of the same language. If the degree of mutual understanding is relatively high, they are considered to be the same language. But as the mutual intelligibility lowers, at some point they will be considered different variants of the same larger language, and potentially needing a separate Scripture translation.



Signing the creation story in Genesis

Sign language translation by the numbers

Many of those languages that have been determined to be distinct from one another are sign languages for the deaf. Of the 390 known sign languages in the world it is estimated that about 280 of them will need a translation. These will be in video format, as many of the world's deaf have limited skills for reading print publications, since it is difficult to learn to read a language you can't hear. In the photo to the left you can see a clip from a sign language translation for the creation story in Genesis 1. If you would like to see the video of this story being signed, go to <https://deaf.bible/ASL/GEN.1.1>

***The day I challenged a former NFL lineman
....and lived to tell about it!***

A peek into our impact with FCA

For the past few years, it has been a privilege to see Coach Matt Campbell grow in his faith. Matt is the head football coach at Lugoff Elgin HS. He says that one of his greatest regrets is not attending Team Football Camp his first year as head coach. The next year, at his first time at Football Camp, he wasn't afraid to go forward to recommit his life to Christ. He knew that camp would help his players, but he says, "I never realized how much it would change me." One player eventually told his parents that Coach Campbell was a different person. FCA Camp was a major turning point in his life.

Matt was really growing ... Then it happened.

Carroll's version.... "I can't believe he said that!"

During this season, I was able to spend some time with Matt's team and coaching staff one Friday. That's when it happened. *Before the game, in the heat of the battle, and with his coaches and players, the profanity that came out of his mouth wasn't pleasing to God.* Unfortunately, it happened more than once.

I'm never surprised at what I might hear in the locker room or on the field. I understand how it happens. It's football... it's physical and passionate. Coaches are often trying to exhort their players to give more. Many times, I've heard, "Sorry, Coach Baker!"

Coach Campbell has been a dear friend, and he has allowed me to share God's truth in his life. After this incident on a Friday, I knew what I had to do.

So next week, I asked him to meet me in the coaches office and challenged him with a couple of key passages. (Ephesians 4:29... no unwholesome word should come out of your mouth and James 3:10... praising and cursing shouldn't come out of the same mouth)

What happened next is a testimony of Matt's teachability. He knew that he'd chosen his words poorly and that there was a better way. He eventually talked to his players and his coaches. It is possible to coach football without a foul mouth.

I called him FAT. Now, those are dangerous words to tell a former NFL player who is 6'4" and about 300lbs. But FAT has nothing to do with his size, but his heart. FAT stands for FAITHFUL, AVAILABLE and TEACHABLE. All of us have times where we take 3 steps forward, but 2 steps back. Yet God is working to refine us. For Matt, as he leads his players and coaches, and especially as he leads his own family, he will never forget our time together. I'm sure.



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Matt Campbell played at South Carolina. He was one of the first players taken by the Carolina Panthers where he played for 6 seasons. He finished his career with Washington.

Matt's description...

"Like going to the principal's office!"

Over the past few years, I have been fortunate enough to get to spend time with Carroll Baker. With his leadership and encouragement, my life has had a drastic change. The weekly sessions that I've been able to spend with Carroll have been invaluable.

One Friday night, Carroll came to one of our games. He is just like one of the guys and was hanging out with us prior to the game. *I am pretty sure that he was a little underwhelmed in my words in the coaches office.* How do I know that? Because the following Wednesday when he came in to spend time with me, he took me to our coaches office to meet. Just like being led to the principal's office in elementary school, I knew what was coming. I did not need any explanation. Carroll and I have an analogy that if I were going to Birmingham, I could just travel down I-20 and get right there. Unfortunately, there are times that I turn onto I-75 headed to Chattanooga. I knew where I was headed and exactly why. I was on I-75 headed to Chattanooga, the wrong way.

Being a great leader and even a greater friend, Carroll took me down to the office and laid it all out as plain as day. I appreciate that he could let me know that in such a direct way. He shared the truth in God's word... Ephesians 4:29-30 and also James 3:1-12. We spent the next hour helping me get back on I-20, if you truly know what I mean.

Although I know that I have not been perfect, I feel that I am moving in the right direction again. I am very grateful and thankful that God put Carroll in my life. He sure y knew that I needed him.



Pam and Harley

Pam survived shunt replacement surgery, 2 falls, broken ribs and a UTI. She's doing well overall, but for the first time is also scheduled to visit a cardiologist. As far as the memory issues, she is functioning so much better the past few months. She has really come to love our Harley!

*With a year that has been filled with many medical and physical ups and downs, one thing is for sure... **God is our Sustainer!** How do folks make it through the tough times that are inevitable? He is so faithful!*

We're so thankful for the wonderful gift of His Son, and his incredible presence in our lives! God is with us!

Kathryn

Kathryn made a career move in January 2021 and has been working as a nurse with Pediatric Rheumatology and Pediatric Infectious Diseases. She loves what she does, and she is a wonderful nurse. She also enjoys entertaining at her cute home and she often calls Dad for some homeowner advice!



Merry Christmas



Zac

Zac really enjoys living in the Northwest (Bellevue, Washington). I wish he was closer geographically, politically, and spiritually. Regardless, we love him dearly! He took great pride in chauffeuring us to Charleston for Pam's surgery in March and along with the girls, really helped do a massive Spring clearing at home.

Michaela and Collyn Taylor



It's hard to believe they've been married over a year! They are really enjoying their new home, and are now the proud parents of Wrigley, a two-month-old Goldendoodle. She now rules the house! (Yes, Collyn is a Cubs fan!) I guess this means that we are now Grand-Pawrents!

(You can see Collyn's work at Gamecockcentral.com)

From the Bakers

Carroll

I survived cataract surgery and I can see clearly now! I was also diagnosed as diabetic after having COVID-like symptoms, even though I tested negative 3 times. Whatever I had, it zapped my taste and smell, and made my Glucose level jump way up. I'm so thankful its way down now!

We also experienced a real miracle last month. We had to replace our heating and Air Conditioner. It was the original unit and was over 40 years old! Miraculously, it kept going! That is another way that God has provided for us! (A warmer house feels great!)

It's definitely not been easy to see Pam struggle this past year. What has been easy is loving her. It is a privilege to take care of her. I wouldn't do anything differently.



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From the Pastor's Desk... So this little menace is my daughter's pug-dog, Capella (we all call her Pella for short). If you've been around the neighborhood around 6 or 7 in the evening, usually right after dinner, you've probably seen us with Pella on her "evening constitutional." (we have to say it that way to keep the other dogs from getting jealous)

One of the things Pella does - every night - is to walk round and round and round us on her leash. For every step I take, she takes somewhere around fifty, going in loops around me as I walk. Why would she do this? Well, I'm no dog psychologist, but if I had to guess, I'd say she runs in loops around me because she doesn't want to miss anything... and all she does is end up wearing herself out by the end.

I don't know about you, but I used to struggle with reading the book of **Romans**. *I felt a lot like that pug—that for every page I read, I was going in circles fifty times over. There's so much there, so much theology, so many Old Testament connections, so many New Testament connections, there are so many rich concepts and ideas like justification, sanctification, glorification, there's so much going on that I used to actually groan (inwardly, of course) whenever the preachers would say, "Let's turn to the book of Romans." Just like Pella's walk, Romans would wear me out.*

So how do we walk through Romans without going round and round?

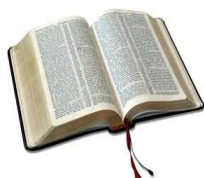
Look with me at Romans 1:1-7, which is Paul's opening statement to the Roman church: ***Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning His Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by His resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, to all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.***

Read that out loud. Now ask, what is Paul saying? He's telling us who he is - Jesus' servant, sent to share the Gospel. He's telling us who Jesus is - God's Son, King, Risen, Alive, and Lord. And he's telling us who we are - we belong to Jesus, we are loved by God, and we are called to be saints.

Here's the thing: You can use these three truths to create a very simple outline the book of Romans. Really? Look at chapters 1-8 - it's about how God saves us from ourselves, from our sins, from death itself through Jesus! Look at 9-11 - it's about how God loves us, chose us, and is glorified by saving us. And then look at chapters 12-16 - it's about how we are called to live, behave, and be saints. And, peppered throughout the book - who Jesus is, and what Jesus is doing through the Apostle Paul.

So my advice is this: Don't be intimidated by Romans, and don't worry about going round and round with it, getting nowhere. Hook into the purpose for this book - to help us know Jesus, to help us know how Jesus saves us, to help us know how God loves us, and to help us know how to be God's saints. And if you need help with it, don't hesitate to ask!

Grace to you & peace! -- Pastor Chris



6th:
13th:
20th:
27th:

February Sunday Sermons

Pulpit Supply - CH (LTC) Jennifer Cooper
United with Jesus **Romans 6:1-15**
Who can save me? **Romans 7:12-25**
No Condemnation! **Romans 8:1-11**

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

What a crazy month January has been! I can only assume we've made history having to cancel 2 worship services in a row due to snow and ice, but as always, the Session is discerning how best to keep the congregation safe yet also provide opportunities to worship.

Hopefully during these past two weeks you've had an opportunity to see God in the awesomeness and glory He has shown in sending such beauty. I am always amazed by snow. Each snowflake is different, just like all of those created in God's imagine, and yet God's hand is in each person and each snowflake.

What an amazing God we serve that is not off in some distant place, but rather, sends the things He has created to be spouses, friends, and loved ones, yet also he sends things such as snow with His personal touch to remind us of the things above.

We certainly look forward to seeing everyone again soon. If anyone has any questions or concerns about matters covered at our January 30th Congregational Meeting, please let us on the Session know.

If there is anything the Church or Session can ever do to help any of you, please let us know.

In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session

Next Session Meeting: February 13th @ 8:30 a.m.

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Superbowl of Caring

Our Church will collect an offering on Sunday, February 13th to help fund & maintain the Blessing Boxes, that will help benefit members in our community that are in need of food, basic essentials, etc... You may write a check to BPC, noted Blessing Boxes, to help or simply donate on the 13th, to participate



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

**Ash Wednesday
March 2nd
BUMC will be have an
Ash Wednesday service
@ 12:00 noon**

January 2022 Statistics

Attendance Average's

Worship: 51 Sunday School: 17

Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)

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YTD Income received:	\$18,179.05
Budgeted YTD Income Needed:	\$16,892.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$13,263.33
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Men of Church

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Host: Steven Frazier

Please join us for good food & good fellowship

PW Circles

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Night (14th) Ann McIllhenny

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Hampton Gaskins	15	Carol Latimer Finethy	4
Martha Kay Hunt	15	Emmett Kerr	5
Benny Welch III	15	Katie Ellen	7
Patrick Finethy	17	Bill Gaskins	8
Laura Parnell	19	William Corbett	9
Bubba Muldrow	20	Isabelle Tindal Bailey	10
Myers Varn Floyd	21	Lena McCutchen	10
Shirley Wallace	28	Meredith Gaskins	12
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 Love in Christ, the Latimer Family*



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January 7, 2022

Dear prayer partners and friends,

As the new year begins, Psalm 31:15 tells us "my times are in your hand." Just as we did not know what 2020 and 2021 held for us, we do not know what will happen in 2022. If our confidence is in the Lord we do not need to be concerned. He will be with us.

Many have been asking about the legal situation of the camp property. The camp Porvenir hearing which was scheduled for November 21 was postponed until March, 2022, as requested by the team of attorneys acting as prosecutors on behalf of the judge seeking ownership of part of our property. Our attorneys agreed to the new date as it means we can continue gathering evidence to prove our case. While marking all the boundaries of our property, the president of our camp board met an old man who served as the town sheriff of the township that used to be on the southern border of camp. The township no longer exists, having been sold in parts to neighboring ranches, and the prosecution claims our boundaries could be incorrectly marked as our original boundaries mention the township limits. However, the sheriff and also the ranch owners have drawings of how the properties were divided and all those drawings are consistent with ours, showing us as their neighboring ranch on the north side. The sheriff has agreed to serve as a witness that our boundaries, as shown in the original title, continue to be what they are today. The process of having the boundaries marked and also approved on city records through satellite imagery takes time, and the prosecution has now granted us this time to get those documents and witnesses ready for the final hearing.

The civil lawsuit, where we request a judge reverse the fraudulent titles on 52 separate lots within our camp property limits, is set to go into effect on January 3rd, as soon as the courts resume work after the holiday period. We continue praying that the Lord protect his property and bring justice in both the penal and the civil court cases. Proverbs 19:21 says "Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."

The government has been lifting restrictions and then putting them back in place as Covid continues to spike. Schools are continuing online for the next two weeks but malls, restaurants and churches are open with everyone using mouth masks at all times. If you are outside your home you are required to wear a mask. I am able to go out to the villages again on weekends and to play the piano at my church, which is something I am very grateful for.

In the family news, we are all celebrating that Ellie, Mark's daughter, became engaged December 18 to Sam, a fine young man from Mark's church, originally from Mexico City. Daniel's daughter, Alyssa, is in Oviedo, Spain for this spring semester with a program through Calvin University. Diego, Debbie's son, turned seven on January 1 and we celebrated with him eating tacos at his favorite restaurant.

We are all thankful for the Lord's provision and protection in 2021 and look forward to what He will do in 2022. I would like to close sharing the words of hymn I learned many years ago. We would all like to know what the future holds but we know that God is the one in control.

"If we could see beyond today as God can see, If all the clouds would roll away, the shadows flee.

O'er present griefs we would not fret, Each sorrow we would soon forget,

For many joys are waiting yet For you and me.

If we could see, if we could know we often say But God in love a veil doth throw across our way.

We cannot see what lies before And so we cling to Him the more, He'll lead us till this life is O'er Trust and obey."

May you have a happy, healthy and blessed new year.

P.S. once again, my son, Daniel, is sending out these letters so I am not able to add a personal note. May the Lord bless you. Your servant for Jesus' sake, Jean Legters, for the family

Any gifts for the camp or our ministry may be sent to:

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2022

From the Pastor's Desk... I love a particular YouTube channel called "Rescue & Restore". It's a guy who takes these old, rusted, sometimes broken things and makes them like new—the way they came from the factory. (For instance, look at him fixing an old "Charlie Brown" type piano here, at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JJPLJMFoVzo>)

Sometimes I get asked, What will we be like in Heaven? In other words, when Jesus comes back and we're with him forever, what will we be like?

We talk about our favorite books of the Bible, or our favorite chapter of a book, or maybe our favorite verses, but have we ever stopped to ask:

What's my favorite word in the Bible?

Okay, that might be pushing it a little. Could there really be such a thing? Let me argue that - yes - you can have a favorite word in the Bible, and let me make the case for my favorite word, one that comes from one of my dearest favorite verses, in my favorite chapter, in one of my all-time favorite books. What word is that? It's in Romans 8, verse 30, and it's the word **GLORIFIED**. What does that mean?

Romans 8:29-30 (ESV), *For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.*

The word "**glorified**" Paul - writing through God the Holy Spirit - chose is the same word we use when we sing our "Doxology." It's the word that becomes: glory, glorified, honorable, praiseworthy, dignified, ornamented, beautiful, splendid, magnificent, radiant, and dazzling. In the New Testament, the word is used to let us know when we see God - it is his "divine mode of being" (Bromley, *Theological Dictionary of the New Testament*, 1985). *When Jesus is transfigured (Matthew 17), or "unveiled" (2 Corinthians 3.19), we see His **glory**.*

So what does that have to do with Romans 8.30 & God's promise that those who have faith in Jesus will one day be **glorified**? Glorified is the word God the Spirit, through Paul, uses to describe how we are going to be in the Resurrection to eternal life. What does it mean to be glorified? According to Jesus, it means that we will be united, connected perfectly to one another, to him, & to God our Father *perfectly (John 17)*. *It means we will be able to worship and enjoy God perfectly & eternally—just what he made us for! But it does mean we'll have to give something up forever—we will no longer be able to... sin.*

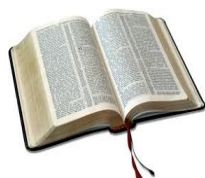
"You cannot want wrong things any more, now that you have died, my son," says Jesus in CS Lewis' book, *The Silver Chair (1953)*.

Or, as the Bible tells us in 1 Corinthians 15:42: "So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable." The only way we can be eternally imperishable (unable to die) is to be eternally unable to sin - for the wages of sin is death.

Won't that be... well, **glorious**? To be made new again? To be made perfect for the 1st time? To be made unable to mess up, unable to say the wrong thing, unable to choose the wrong way, unable to sin?

So, looking forward to that day, let's all pray: Come quickly, Lord Jesus! And with that taste of glory, let's work to hasten the day of his coming by praying, by witnessing, and by sharing God's blessings with each other and the world around us.

Praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost! – Pastor Chris



6th:
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March Sunday Sermons

Lord of All
A Mystery
The Will of God for ME
The Law of Love

Romans 10:1-17
Romans 11:25-36
Romans 12:1-21
Romans 13:8-14

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

Hopefully at night, you've had an opportunity to see the new lighting at the Church! We received a gift and request to install security lights near the entrances of all the buildings and a new handrail at the kitchen door. We thank Reese Atkinson & Keith Hyman for all their work in securing materials and installing the new lights. We haven't completed the new handrail yet, but it's coming...Thank you Lena McCutchen for your gift!

Our pipe organ is in the process of having some damaged pipes repaired, so music has been selected around the missing pipes. We hope to have the new pipes replaced before summer.

We are extremely grateful to have some willing & able members to pressure wash the outside of the Church. Thanks Perry & Ryan! We are hoping to have an inside "Clean Up" day soon. So if you have any concerns or are willing to help, please contact an Elder or email the Church. Thanks in advance!

We had a leak in the ceiling in the Bell Tower room, but it's fixed now. If anyone see's anything that needs fixing, please let us know or email the Church.

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If there is anything the Church or Session can ever do to help any of you, please let us know.

In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session
Next Session Meeting: March 13th @ 8:30 a.m.

MARCH ELDERS-ON-CALL
*Charlie Ipock & Perry McCutchen
*denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities

Family Night Supper
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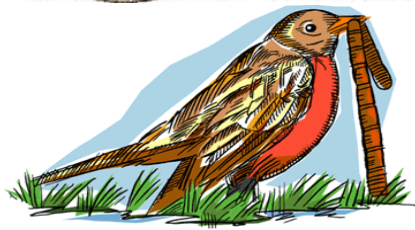
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From the Pastor's Desk... It's Easter, at long, long last!

It feels like it's been 11, maybe even 12 months since we last had Easter. I know, I'm being silly... but can you imagine waiting not 11 or 12 months for Easter, or even the 11 or 12 weeks, or 11 or 12 days... but 11 or 12 Centuries for Easter?

O Lord, rebuke me not in Your anger, nor discipline me in Your wrath. Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing; heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled. My soul also is greatly troubled. But you, O Lord - how long?

These are the first lines of Psalm 6, written by King David - 11 or 12 Centuries before the first Easter, that glorious Sunday when Jesus rose from his grave in Jerusalem. Look at what he's asking God - how long will it be before I see you? How long will it be before you take away my sin? How long will it be before I experience the fullness of your grace? How long will it be before I am completely reconnected with you, Lord my God?

As Christians, it's easy to get impatient with God - and I say that as honestly and as pastorally as I can. Something bad happens, someone we love is unsaved, we're in a bad place, so we pray. That's what we're supposed to do - we pray. We pray. We pray some more. We wait. We pray again. We wait some more. We keep on praying, we keep on waiting, and we keep on wondering... until we cry out: God, what's taking so long?

Hey look! We sound just like King David!

How did David manage to keep his faith, even though this particular prayer - that he would see God do that great work, the Resurrection of Christ, the confirmation of hope, the completion of God's plan to forgive sinners through Jesus... how did David manage with waiting 11 or 12 Centuries to see his prayer answered that first Easter?

David managed because he knew that God had been faithful in keeping His promises to David's ancestors - Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Judah, Naomi, Ruth, and so on.

David managed because he knew what had been written about God - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy, the books written by Moses & Joshua during and about the Exodus, God freeing His people from slavery.

David managed because he knew how God had "shown up" in his life - keeping him safe from lions, bears, wolves, giants, and kings, giving him friends like Jonathan and Ittai and Mephibosheth, people who loved him like Michal.

David managed because he knew his prayers weren't just about what he needed from God, wanted from God, or hoped for from God - his prayers were how he kept in touch with the God who made him, spoke to him through the prophets, kept him, called him, and saved him. David managed because David knew God.

Do we know God - especially when we're waiting and waiting and waiting for that prayer to get answered? Do we remember how God has been faithful to our ancestors - those men & women who built up our church & community, our family? Do we see & read God's promises in the Bible regularly, loving them like David did (read Psalm 119). Do we look at & celebrate how God has already "shown up" over & over again in our lives? Do we let our friends help remind us of God's goodness, because they're part of God's goodness to us? Do we know God?

It makes waiting - whether 11 or 12 minutes or 11 or 12 millennia - so much easier.

God bless you & Happy Easter!! – Pastor Chris



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Romans 14:13-23
Romans 15:5-13
Luke 23:1-24:12
Romans 16:17-27

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

Happy Springtime! I can't believe how quickly 2022 is passing (I'm still writing 2021 on checks/letters). Things at the Church have been quite active. Hopefully many - if not all - have seen the completed Blessing Boxes, in Fellowship Hall. A huge shout-out and thank you to Perry and Ryan McCutchen whose employees built them. They look beautiful, are extraordinarily sturdy, and built to last. The Plexiglas allows passers-by to easily see into the boxes, open and access them, and so on and I'm just so pleased how they turned out. One of the Blessing Boxes will soon be placed on the Church grounds facing the County Courthouse, close proximity to our playground and parking lot. This will allow people easy access to it and affords us the chance to quickly get one up and operational. We are still contemplating where to locate the other two boxes. Inside will be non-perishable foods, necessities, and of course, Bibles. Should you be inclined to donate goods and/or money for the cause, please let us know.

Another big shout-out to Adam Cooper. Many of you may have seen new floors being installed in the nursery rooms. This work has been overdue and Adam has graciously donated not just his time, but expertise, and is completing all the labor. If you haven't seen the work nor thanked Adam, please do this upcoming Sunday. We've also installed a good many new light fixtures around the Church to make lighting better in various areas as well, so as you can tell, the Church has been quite busy over the past months.

In that vein, the Session has seen such a great response to the Blessing Boxes, that it wants to further explore mission opportunities in which the Church can engage. The Church has innumerable spiritual gifts and we, collectively, ought to share those gifts to more fully bring about the Kingdom of God. **So at our March 27th Family Night Supper, come with ideas on Church missions, things you would like to see the Church doing, and most importantly, plans on how those goals may be accomplished.**

Also, keep an eye out on the upcoming calendars as we have a number of events coming up, including our annual Easter Egg Hunt, Maundy Thursday Communion, Easter Sunday Service, and more. Blessings to all! If anyone has any questions or concerns, please let us on the Session know.

In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session
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Happy Birthday April May

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Kerry W. Frazier	3	Jimmy McCutchen	13
Kathryn Welch	4	Terri Ann Tindal Belk	13
Renee Bell	13	Beth McCutchen	17
Doris Bell	14	Nicholas Jeffords	23
Kathryn Hart	19	Ricky McCutchen	23
Tyner Bramlett Logan	20	Katherine Folsom	25
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Susan Hilditch	23	Tim Kirven	31
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Homebound

Our HOMEBOUND Members

Doris Bell, Memory Care Manor, Florence
BJ Kerr @ McCoy Nursing Center
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Dick & Beth McCutchen @ their home
Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
Hugh Tindal @ his home

Holy Week Events

Palm Sunday - April 10th

Maundy Thursday Communion

April 14th @ 6:00 p.m. @ BPC

Communion Elders Bert Cousar, Cindy Welsh, Charlie Ipock

Good Friday - April 15th

Easter Sunrise service & breakfast

Sunday, April 17th @ 7:00 a.m. @ BPC

Don't forget to visit and place flowers on the Living Cross

2nd quarter Communion

April 17th @ Worship Service

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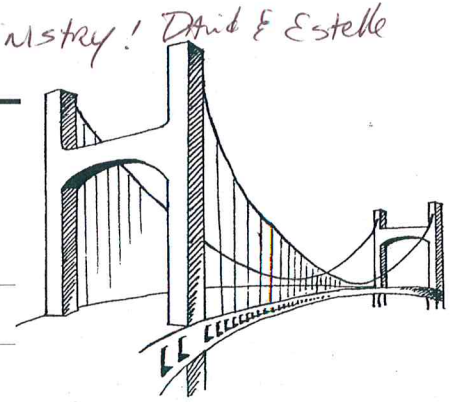
**Everyone is invited to a drop-in birthday celebration on Saturday, April 16th from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm in our Fellowship Hall to honor Kathryn Hart’s 90th birthday
No gifts please**

We appreciate your partnership with us in our ministry! David & Estelle

BRIDGES

David & Estelle Abernathy

March 2022



2022—a year for anniversaries

In our November newsletter we related some personal numbers for us and our family—how many years we have served in Bible translation, how many years we have been married, and how our family has grown. This year we are observing some anniversaries, both for our organization as well as for ourselves. Here they are:

- 80 years since the founding of **Wycliffe Bible Translators** (founded in 1942)
- 50 years **of marriage** since August of 1972 (we have been a couple for 51 years, and it is 52 years since our first date)
- 45 years since **finishing college**
- 45 years since **becoming parents**
- 35 years since we became **members of Wycliffe Bible Translators**, and left our home in Charlotte for a career journey that has taken us to Dallas, Tx, Tucson, Az, Oaxaca, Mexico, Nairobi, Kenya, and now to Waxhaw NC.
- 25 years since I began doing **exegetical summaries**
- 25 years since I began a weekly **prayer partnership** with a friend (and it's still ongoing)
- 25 years since we **moved into this house**—by far the longest time we have lived in one place anywhere
- 15 years since **becoming grandparents**
- 15 years since **we came back from Kenya**

We thank God for his faithfulness through all those years!

Helicopter dedication

On January 13 we dedicated a helicopter for use at the JAARS Center, and thanked God for providing it. It will be used here in Waxhaw for training purposes for our own pilots and mechanics who will serve overseas, as well as for the more than twenty other agencies whose pilots and mechanics we also help to train.

Aviation has been an enormous help for Bible translators over the years. When a friend of ours began work in Indonesia over 40 years ago, **it took him four days to hike** between the village where he lived and worked, and another village where people also spoke the same language. Years later, after airstrips were created in both places, **it took twelve minutes to fly** from one village to the other.

The helicopter you see here represents a step forward in our aviation programs. **Helicopters can land just about anywhere**, whereas a fixed-wing airplane has to have a runway. In some parts of the world, concern about cutting trees in a rain forest is so great that it can be next to impossible to get permission to cut down several thousand feet of jungle forest for the runway. Obviously a helicopter can serve there much more easily. This one has a turbine engine and runs on jet fuel, which is readily available all over the world, whereas aviation gasoline is extremely expensive and difficult to get. Another advantage of a turbine engine is that **it can fly at higher altitudes** than a gasoline engine can. Since some of the places we serve in the Pacific area are very mountainous, that is a great help for those translation programs.



Bible translation needs

Here are some graphics that give the big picture for Bible translation around the world



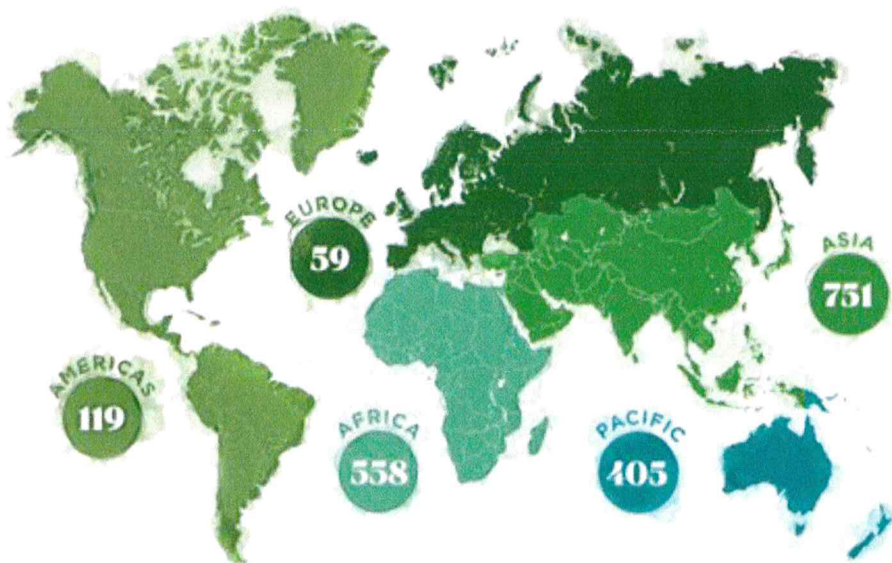
1.5 billion people don't have a full Bible in their language



1800+ languages, 145 million people, don't have any Scripture at all in their language



350+ sign languages are still waiting for a video Bible translation



The number of languages still needing Bible translation work to start by region of the world

Please pray for local translators and advisors and consultants to complete this Great Task

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

We give thanks...

- For our half-century of marriage!
- For the privilege of serving in Bible translation for 35 years, and for 35 years of support in that ministry from many friends
- For 25 years of challenging and rewarding exegetical work
- For ongoing health, safety, and adequate financial support

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Please pray...

- For skill for me and my team as we produce translation helps for translators in Psalms, Exodus, Numbers, Philippians, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, Jonah, Genesis, and Leviticus
- For continued progress in Bible translation programs worldwide, and especially for translation programs for the deaf

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MEMORIAL DAY



MAY 2022

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Thursday's @ 5:30 p.m.

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From the Pastor's Desk... Have you ever had one of those moments...? Maybe you're reminiscing with a friend about that football game way back when, or maybe with your family about some event you all were there for, or maybe you & your spouse are thinking back to that thing one of the kids did... but you look and think: Hey! We're remembering the same thing... but differently.

What do I mean? A few years back, my wife & kids & I rode bikes on the Virginia Creeper trail, and during that ride, a relative broke her knee, a daughter flipped her bike, a son & daughter jumped in a creek, we all got muddy, and we ate burgers at a little restaurant just off the trail.

Now suppose you talked to my wife about that trip, and she told you that we all got muddy, one of our daughters flipped the bike, a relative broke her knee, we ate burgers at a little restaurant just off the trail, a son & daughter jumped in a creek... oh, and we saw a snake on a bike bridge.

Would you assume that I lied to you? Or that my wife did? I hope not; these are all real events that happened that day, which is why we don't ride the Virginia Creeper trail anymore.

So we all know (or should know) that Jesus' first sermon boiled down to this: "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is right here, right now!" How do we know this? The Bible tells us so, in Mark chapter 1, of course. But what did Jesus *do* first? In other words, what was Jesus' first recorded miracle? And why does it matter?

Well... Mark & Luke both tell us the 1st "big" thing Jesus does after he starts preaching is to cast a devil out of a man in the Capernaum synagogue. Matthew tells us that the first miracle Jesus does was to heal a leper in Capernaum when he's coming home from preaching the Sermon on the Mount. And John tells us that the first miracle Jesus did was to turn water into wine when he was at a wedding in Cana.

So who's right? Is somebody lying to us? Did Matthew or John "get it wrong"?

Welcome to what has been called the "**Synoptic Problem**" (Synoptic is a fancy word for "seeing things together"). Why do the 4 books about Jesus (Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John) tell the same story, but differently? Take this first miracle. Was it at Capernaum or Cana, or somewhere in between? Was it water into wine, or healing a man's leprosy, or curing him of demonism? Was it on a Sabbath, or some other day of the week? They all saw or interviewed people who saw Jesus' life firsthand... so why do they see what should be the same things differently? Can we trust the Bible?

Let me start with this: Absolutely YES. You CAN & SHOULD trust the Gospels. But what about these differences? How do we explain them, especially to our non-Christian or on-the-verge of being Christian friends?

First we've got to get past a certain historical bias. In other words, they did things differently nearly 2,000 years ago and in another culture & tradition than we do, what with our cameras, cell phones, news sites, twitter feeds, facebook, etc. For years, the Bible was given through what we (today) call oral tradition. In other words, like that bike trip, each writer, Matthew, Mark (hearing it from Peter), Luke (hearing it from Mary & others), & John are telling the story how they heard it, how they remember it. Different things stick out in each of their minds. They're telling the true story of Jesus to different crowds of people. They have different reasons they want to share the true story of Jesus.

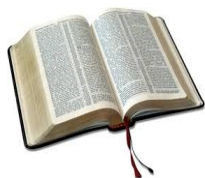
Think about it this way. If I told the story of our not-so-great bike ride to my buddies, wanting to get a laugh, I'd emphasize details that are funny - like the mud & the kids in the creek. If my wife told the story to a friend wanting to explain why we don't ride that trail anymore, she'd emphasize details that aren't - like the fall & the injuries & the snake.

So Luke & Mark are talking to a more Gentile, less Jewish audience. Mark wants people to know Jesus got straight to work, didn't dilly-dally, so he tells it one way. Luke wants people to know how much Jesus cares about people, so he tells the same story another way. Matthew is thinking about how Jesus is the Jewish Messiah, so he remembers that leper being healed and Jesus fulfilling the Old Testament promise about healing lepers. And John remembers that wedding, when Jesus first did something that only God can do - and he wants everybody to know Jesus is very & truly God.

Four writers, four memories, four stories, and all of them the Word of God. B.B. Warfield calls this phenomenon the "**concurrent operation**" of the Holy Spirit and the human writers of the Bible. It's like a stained glass window; each of the Gospels, each of the writers is like a pane in the window, and the light that comes through them is shaped & colored - but God is the One who not only shines the light, but crafted the windows.

So if you ever worry about the differences in the Bible (and some of you have asked), I hope this has helped. After all, as John himself puts it in 20:31, These stories are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Amen to that! —Pastor Chris



May Sunday Sermons

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 8th: *Lent to the Lord*
 15th: *Raising my Ebenezer*
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1 Samuel 1:1-20
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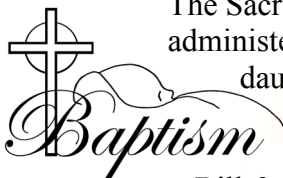
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Baccalaureate Service

Sunday, May 15th, during Worship

We will honor our graduating high school senior with the traditional presentation of a Bible. Graduates (HS & College) are asked to wear graduation attire

c/o 2022 High School Graduate

Lacie Elizabeth McElveen

Graduates Lee Academy, May 20th plans to attend Clemson University to major in Agribusiness

Daughter of Will & Jill McElveen

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It Help's to have a Great Partner

There was a tailor named Mendel in the old country and he was worried about his business. Mendel was down to his last money and was torn between buying a sign and getting food for his family. Mendel decided to pray. "Dear God," he said, "I don't know what to do. If I buy a sign it may bring in business, but I need to buy groceries for my family...and if the sign doesn't bring in sales, we will starve."

God replied, "I'm your partner, Mendel, buy the sign. Don't worry, your family won't starve."

So, Mendel bought the sign and business took off. The tailor fed his family and all was well. However, as time passed it became evident that Mendel couldn't keep up with orders all by himself. He contemplated hiring on a helper, but wondered if he could afford it. So, he asked God if getting help would be a prudent move.

"Go ahead," God tells Mendel, "I'm your partner, Mendel, hire some help, you'll do okay."


And so Mendel did. And business took off beyond his wildest dreams. After a time, the tailor decided to move his business to America, where the sky was the limit. But he needed a larger site that would accommodate the growing demands of his business. As he surveyed certain locations, he found a perfect storefront, but the rental price was really steep.

"God," Mendel again prayed, "I found the perfect place to relocate my business. But the cost of the lease worries me. I don't want to get in over my head."

"Go ahead and get a lease on the store, Mendel," said God. "I'm your partner, Mendel. Trust me, you'll be okay --I haven't steered you wrong yet, have I?"


So Mendel signed a lease on the 5th Avenue store and profits from his business went through the roof. Out of heartfelt gratitude, Mendel proposed to the Almighty that he dedicate the store to Him.

... And the next thing you know, "Lord and Taylor" had dozens of stores throughout the country.



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April 2022

Carroll and Pam Baker
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Yes, that's hard to believe that it was 20 years ago that we made a major ministry change from Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU) to the ministry of Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

In 20 years, a lot has happened...

We've seen Zac, Michaela and Kathryn go from elementary school to college grads.

We went from 2 cars to 3 cars, to 4 cars... then back to 3 cars and now 2.

Pam's had "umpteen" procedures and surgeries ... (I've lost count!)

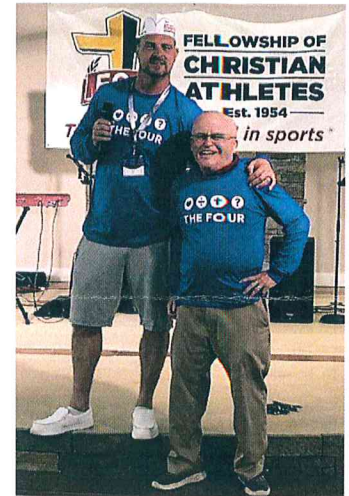
In 2002, I didn't know a single high school coach. Now high school coaches are some of my dearest friends. My times with coaches in their offices has been incredible! Seeing them impact their athletes for a lifetime has been amazing!

"Oodles" of teams have attended FCA team camp.

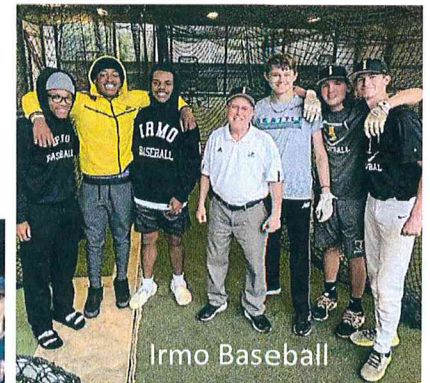
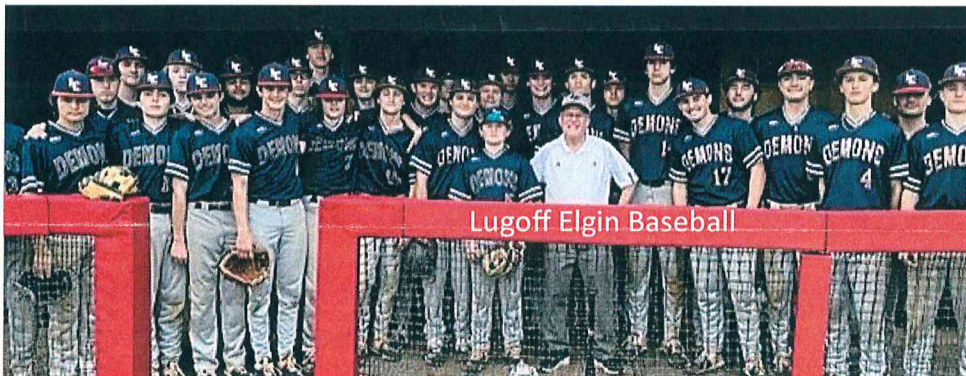
I've spoken to "oodles and oodles" of teams, challenging them to grow in their relationship with God.

I've been with my teams 4 times as they have won **State Championships**.

But more importantly, seeds have been sown and lives have been changed. There have been many obvious lives that have been transformed and there have been many lives that we'll find out about in heaven.



Carroll being recognized for 20 years!



This spring has brought on a new season for me. I've been speaking regularly to the baseball teams at **Irmo High School** and **Lugoff Elgin High School**. (I may be in trouble in next week when the teams will play each other twice!) Just yesterday, an Irmo player surrendered his life to Christ in the locker room!

I've also met nearly every week with a group of athletes at Lugoff Elgin during their lunch period. It's been great to cover some spiritual basics with our FCA Bible Study called "The Core." Athletes understand what it means to strengthen their core.

Thanks for your incredible faithfulness as you pray for us and stand with us financially. We have an amazing Home Team!!

Carroll + Pam

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**HAPPY
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DAY!**



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From the Pastor's Desk... I would have you know, brothers & sisters, that the Gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it. And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when He who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone. (Galatians 1:11-16)

What does Paul mean when he says, "the Gospel I preach is no man's gospel?" (Yes, I deliberately translated the phrase literally & a little awkwardly, but it's still accurate to what Paul's saying) So what is Paul saying? Is he making a theological point? Or maybe a practical point? In other words, this doesn't just belong to me, but to all of us. Or is he making a point of precision? This, he says, was technically invented by God and not by man, so it doesn't really belong to any of us. Or of ownership? The Gospel belongs to God, the Good News comes from God, the Good News is about God's grace & mercy overcoming man's sin - and all that.

What's the point? What does Paul mean by "no man's Gospel?" I'm a child of the 80s & 90s, part of what they labelled "Gen-X". So my life experiences come from that time period, and one of them is the old multiple-choice test where (A), (B), & (C) all look like good choices and there at (D) is that tantalizing, "All of the Above." Ooooh, do I pick (D), or is there something wrong with (A) or (B)? (C) looks so right... and you sit there, agonizing over picking "All of the Above" until you look up and Oh No! I've only got 10 minutes left! Sorry if I triggered any bad flash-backs there.

When Paul says he was saved by "no man's Gospel" the point he's making is, yes, all of the above. It's a Gospel, a good news that comes from outside him, outside anyone, because it comes from God himself, about how God the Father gave a Law with a death-penalty attached, we broke (& keep on breaking) that Law, so God the Son volunteered to take that death-penalty in our place, and God the Holy Spirit gave us eyes to see, ears to hear, & minds to understand this incredible Gospel. It's a Gospel that is for me & you - but not just you & me, for anyone & everyone anywhere & everywhere, so that Revelation 4 & 7 will be accurate in saying there will be saints from "every tribe, language, nation & family". And, most importantly, this Gospel that is "no man's Gospel" is good news that transforms - a message that challenges, changes, heals, helps, rebuilds, reconstructs, reassures, and resurrects. It is life in the face of death, light that overcomes darkness, and fire that consumes even the wettest wood & stones, yet leaves not ash, but everlasting joy in its wake.

The Gospel is the Good News that He who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach Jesus. No man's gospel can do this, can give this kind of purpose and hope. No man's gospel can transform a persecutor or an atheist or a cold-heart or a legalist or a "who cares" kind of person into what Paul became, into what Luther became, into what my dad became, or into what I'm becoming (by God's grace) every day. No man's gospel can do this - only God's. Only the Gospel of Jesus Christ can do this.

So preach Jesus. Share Jesus. Give his Gospel today. Blessings! - Pastor Chris



June Sunday Sermons

June Sermon Series "4 Rivers"

5th:
12th:
19th:
26th:

Part 1
Part 2
Part 3
Part 4

Genesis 2:5-17
Psalm 105
Ezekiel 47:1-12
Revelation 22:1-7

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

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The next time you're at the store, grab some non-perishable items or maybe some personal and/or hygiene items for our Blessing boxes. The Kids for Christ will collect items on the first Sunday of each month.

We are getting excited about Vacation Bible School. The Methodist Church will be hosting this year, so make sure to register or volunteer.

The Lee County Salkehatchie teams will be in town on June 25th and our Church will have 1 team join us for Worship on June 26th and we will provide lunch for them. We will be providing lunch for all teams on June 29th, so if you are asked to help, please consider doing so.

On Tuesday, June 28th, Jean Legters, our Mission partner in Mexico, will be visiting the Church. If anyone is interested in visiting or seeing her, please contact the Church office. Time: TBD

We welcome anyone that doesn't have a Church home to visit us, our doors are wide open.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please let us on the Session know.

In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session
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ENC Committee: Matt Bramlett, Diane McElveen,
 Jennifer McCutchen, MaryAnna Welsh

May 2022 Statistics

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YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$75,776.75
Budgeted YTD Expenses:	\$80,039.00

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MTD Income received:	\$550.00
YTD Income received:	\$4,545.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$1244.82
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$1,657.24

Confirmation

We welcome our newest members joining our Church by Profession of Faith after completing a Confirmation Class

- William Frazier
- Wyatt Frazier
- Patrick Parnell

Please keep them and their families in your prayers, as they walk in this journey of Christian Faith

Thought for Father's Day

"I've said it before, but it's absolutely true: My mother gave me my drive, but my father gave me my dreams. Thanks to him, I could see a future."
 - Liza Minnelli

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Harrison Blake Smith	4	Reese Atkinson	8
Stephen Welch	6	Covington Ipock	8
Dwayne Sweatman	7	Frank Tindal	8
Ray Drayton	8	Nick West	8
Cameron McElveen	10	Kim Easters	11
Conner Welch	13	Betsy Bramlett	12
Lacie McElveen	14	Gregg McCutchen IV	12
Rev. Chris Parnell	14	Avarie Easters	14
Jenny McCutchen	15	Andi Hyman	15
Marsha McCutchen	16	Caitlin Cooper	19
Hugh Tindal III	16	Ashley Latimer	21
Katherine Dickinson	17	Adam Cooper	24
Patrick Jeffords	23	Andrea K. McCutchen	24
Patricia Latimer	25	Libby Corbett	26
Liz Simon	25	Daphne Dickerson	26
Isaac Bailey	29	William Watkins	31



VBS
"On a Roll with God"
 June 12th -14th
 Bethlehem UMC
 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Food Truck Party and classes for ages 3 years – 4th Grade. You can call the Church office (803.484.6037) to register and/or to volunteer or you can register online at www.myvbs.org/BUMCFoodTruckParty

Our HOMEBOUND Members

Doris Bell, Memory Care Manor, Florence
BJ Kerr @ McCoy Nursing Center
Laura Latimer @ McCoy Nursing Center
Dick & Beth McCutchen @ their home
Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte

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Monday - Wednesday

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Unless otherwise noted

2022 Business Office vacation/holiday closings:

June 29th - July 5th (Wed. - Tues.)

August 17th - 22nd (Wed. - Mon.)

September 5th & 6th (Mon. & Tues.)

October 5th - 10th (Wed. - Mon.)

November 23rd - 28th (Wed. - Mon.)

December 20th - 27th (Tues. - Tues.)

Please contact office to update any pertinent information to your records (pref. by email)



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Volunteers are Needed in Nursery
Parents/Grandparents are urged to volunteer in the Nursery on Sunday mornings



“Blessing Box” Ministry

These boxes are stocked/maintained with food, necessities, and Bibles. Two have already been placed throughout the City and we anticipate our children stocking, maintaining, and updating the Church about the progress. **We will collect items on the 1st Sunday of each month @ Worship.** Items needed: non-perishable & canned ready-to-eat foods (pop-top) and prepackaged hygiene products (ex: toothbrush/toothpaste, utensils, salt/pepper), etc...

Congratulations to all our 2022 Graduates

High School Graduate

Lacie Elizabeth McElveen

Graduated Lee Academy on May 20th. Plans to attend Clemson University to major in Agribusiness. Lacie is the daughter of Will & Jill McElveen and the granddaughter of Diane & the late William McElveen and Gene & Theresa Walters and Ann Winfrey

College Graduates

Caroline Louise McCutchen

Graduated Presbyterian College on May 14th with a BS in Business Administration and plans to attend Clemson University to obtain her Masters in Accounting. Caroline is the daughter of Johnny McCutchen and Dawn & Craig Nesbit and the granddaughter of Brad & the late Dolly McCutchen and Louise & the late William “Billy” McCutchen

Caroline Merritt Welch

To graduate Converse University, this summer, with a degree in Theatre. Caroline is the daughter of Wendy & Benny Welch III and granddaughter of Kathryn & Benny “Hank” Welch, Jr. and David Perdue and Joyce Perdue

Please notify office, via email, no later than June 22nd of student/teacher awards/honors for July SCROLL

Jewish Voice Ministries



In April, 2022, we had a bake sale and collected \$423.32, to help Churches, recently planted in Ethiopia & Zimbabwe! We have coin banks in the Bell Tower room and you can pick up and dropped off any time of the year, in the office. **Thanks to everyone who participates!**
Next Coin Collection Date: NOVEMBER 13th ... Small change can create BIG change!

All 5th Sunday loose offerings will be placed into the Kids for Christ Mission Fund. Please note “Kids4Christ” on all gifts outside this timeframe> Please make checks payable to BPC. If it is for a specific need or project, please indicate the need on your check or correspondence, as well. Thank you for supporting our Children and helping them to make wise life choices and caring for others, especially those in need or less fortunate

MISSION NEWS

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Yesterday's high : 108°
Last night's low: 77°

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May 23, 2022

Dear prayer partners and friends,

“Trust in the lord with all your heart and lean not unto your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your paths.” Prov. 3:5-6.

The hot, humid days of May are here. We are all anxious for the end of the school year and summer activities. The camp has been rented out to two different church groups through August. The legal situation continues as the judge from Campeche has requested another extension until July to continue gathering his claims that he is the rightful owner of the property where he began to build. The civil court case also continues against the 52 owners of the lots sold of our property. We continue praying that God’s justice will prevail.

The San Pablo seminary graduation will be June 10 following a week of recitals. Four will be graduating in theology and four in music out of a total of 25 students. During this pandemic, it has been very difficult to make ends meet. We are also praying for the Lord to send more students who want to prepare to serve Him. Funds are needed to rebuild the scholarship aid which many incoming students may need--the cost for an on-campus student is \$175 a month and an off-campus \$85 a month. Here, as elsewhere, the economy has been very hard hit. There are 27 applications to enter the seminary in September but most of them need scholarship help. Their families cannot help them with very much.

Debbie’s English homeschool will also be graduating eight students out of 39, but she has a waiting list for September. Diego is finishing first grade with Abeka homeschool materials in English. He is doing very well, with five of us as his teachers. He also takes art and swimming classes.

Daniel will be taking a group of high school students, including his son Caleb (who graduates this spring), to Spain for two weeks on May 27. His daughter, Alyssa, is returning home after her semester abroad in Spain. His son, Owen, who will be 15 in July, lacks only a few inches to be as tall as his father and will enter high school in the fall.

Mark’s church is doing well with 160 in attendance, more than what he had before the pandemic. Ellie and her fiancée, Sam, (wedding Dec. 16) took me to the village of Yalcoba last week where he preached. John continues to be the audio producer at his church, works in a studio, and helps Korean missionaries with their recording studio.

I have had some physical problems related to the car accident four years ago. Due to the pain, I went to an orthopedic specialist who requested tests and concluded that I need a hip replacement. He has control of the pain somewhat so I have decided to continue my plans to visit the US mid-June to July 10. I hope to visit churches and friends who support the ministry here in Yucatán and will have the surgery in July after I return. My son, Daniel, will be accompanying me on my trip to the States. His cell phone number is 314-223-9453 should anyone wish to contact me while I am there.

We don’t always know how the Lord will direct our paths but have the confidence that He is in control and will do what is for our good and will bring glory to Him. I wish I could see each one of you this summer. Please know you are in my heart and prayers.

Your servant for Jesus' sake,
Jean Legters, for the family

Any gifts for the camp or our ministry may be sent to:
Son Raise Missionaries Services
4395 Idlewood Dr. SW
Wyoming, MI 49519

This is a link to an article that appeared in Wycliffe Bible Translators about our ministry:

<https://www.wycliffe.org/blog/posts/four-generations-of-missions>

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From the Pastor's Desk... So I was at the store the other day and saw a new line of products called "Goodness & Grace." It got me wondering... First, what does "Grace" have to do with kitchen and dining room decorations (I can guess you'd want them to be "Good"), and second, do the people who named their potholders and wall mounts "Goodness & Grace" even know what "Grace" really is? And then, as thoughts often do, I started wondering (again)...

Do I know what grace is? How would you or I define the idea, the word, the concept of "grace"? Well... The world defines "grace" as a free gift, something given that's undeserved. It's a token of affection. It's a particular goodness or generosity about someone or something. It's... well, "grace" is nice. I bet you & I have heard some version of this definition for years. But here's something I started wondering. How does God define grace? In other words, do I know what grace is - the way God defines it in the Bible? Where might we go for a Biblical definition of "grace"?

Well, we'd go to the end of a life lived in grace, the life of a man whose actions and zeal cost many Christians their lives, who persecuted God's church and himself was persecuted for the Church. We'd go to some of the last written letters of the Apostle Paul. We'd go to his letter to Titus, one of his students and pastor-trainees. Let's read... Titus 2:10-14, For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession who are zealous for good works.

So look at how God the Holy Spirit, through Paul & his life lived in grace, defines "grace":

(1) Grace brings salvation. Wait, doesn't Jesus save? Yes, and He is the manifestation of God's grace. Jesus was given to us by God the Father, and Jesus freely gave Himself to us, and the Holy Spirit undeservedly helps us receive that gift, that grace who Himself is Jesus the Christ! So what does God say grace is? Grace is God saving us through Jesus.

(2) Grace trains us Christians. The biggest mistake we can make about being saved is that, once we're saved, that's all God gives us, or worst, that's all we need from God. It's not! Grace is God's ongoing presence, teaching, & training in our lives. Training? To do what? Grace is God training us to live holy & helpful lives - holy because that makes God happy, and helpful because we serve each other & our community.

(3) Grace helps us wait & worship. Finally Paul tells Titus that grace, the way God defines it, helps us to wait for Jesus' return. The world we live in isn't easy for us Christians, nor will it ever be, until Jesus comes back. Knowing we have His free gift, knowing we have His presence, knowing we have His love & mercy, that helps us wait for Him - and while we wait, those very things, that very grace helps us to worship Him fully, in spirit and in truth.

I hope this has been helpful. I know Paul has helped me, as have many Paul-like teachers throughout my life and ministry. God bless you! - Pastor Chris



July Sunday Sermons

3rd:	<i>A Nation of Freedom</i>	1 Peter 2:1-17
10th:	<i>Mercy over Judgement</i> Charlie Ipock in pulpit	James:2
17th:	<i>The Kingdom's Greatest</i>	Matthew 18:1-14
24th:	<i>Shaking Heaven and Earth</i>	Hebrews 12:18-29
31st:	<i>Greeting Friends</i>	3 John 1-15

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We are in search of a host for our Annual Church Picnic (usually the 2nd week of August). If anyone is interested, please contact the Church office, via email.

In July, We'll serve Communion on the 3rd, I will fill the pulpit on the 10th (In Chris's absence), and on the 17th we will hold our Elder election for c/o 2025.

We are very excited that Bo & Ari Dickinson have been secured to provide a Mini-Music Camp for our younger youth on July 26th - 28th, from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, and we expect to have some local Churches involved.

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In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session


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JULY ELDERS-ON-CALL

***Perry McCutchen & Charlie Ipock**

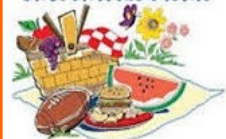
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Churchwide Picnic



Annual Church Picnic
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Congregational Meeting Elder Election c/o 2025 Date: July 17th

The 2022 Elder Nominating Committee will place into nomination the following three names for c/o 2025 Elder:

- **Ryan McCutchen**
- **Wendy Welch**
- **Cindy Welsh**

The floor will be open for nominations, for members who discern that God is calling another person to be elected, other than those nominated by the Nominating Committee. In the event that the nominees are greater than the number of Elders to be elected, the congregation will vote by secret ballot. Please prayerfully consider the persons you elect, as they will help govern our Church.

The 2022 Elder Nominating Committee:

Matt Bramlett, Diane McElveen,
Jennifer McCutchen, MaryAnna Welsh

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DECEMBER 2022

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SUMMER CLEANUP

There's a Master Cleaning/Repair Chart in the Fellowship Hall (on table, under TV) for anyone that wishes to help spruce up the Church. You can check off items that you can clean/repair and add some that you think are needed. We'll have an **official Clean-Up Day on August 6th** to complete anything not finished. Please leave chart on table so we'll know what has & hasn't been completed

Our HOMEBOUND Members

Doris Bell, Memory Care Manor, Florence
BJ Kerr @ McCoy Nursing Center
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Happy Birthday July August

Reese Atkinson	8	Bobby Thomas	1
Covington Ipock	8	Billy Clyburn	6
Frank Tindal	8	Leila Ethel McCutchen	7
Nick West	8	Edie Varn	8
Kim Easters	11	Mary Ellen Gaskins	9
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***Praise the Lord; Praise God our Savior!
For each day he carries us in his arms.***

Psalm 68:19



May 2022

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God is so faithful. He really does carry us, especially during the toughest of times. He continues to give us ministry opportunities as we serve Him through the ministry of Fellowship of Christian Athletes.



Meeting with these guys has been a highlight each week.

These guys are all athletes at **Lugoff Elgin HS**. For the past few months we've had a lunchtime Bible study covering some of the basics of our walk with God. Our Bible Study is called, **Core: 8 Essentials for strengthening your faith**. Athletes really understand what it means to "strengthen their core." What started with 2 guys has actually grown to 6 guys, with a few others that may participate this summer. Each of these guys have indicated a strong desire to attend an FCA Leadership Camp or Sports Camp this summer.

What a privilege to minister with FCA. Whether with teams, coaches or the athletes themselves, God has definitely given us an open door! Pray that these guys and many more will be able to attend one of our camps. But more importantly, that they will be transformed by the Holy Spirit!

Pam and Carroll Celebrate 36 years



The constant sound of the river was so refreshing.

Meanwhile, Pam and I just celebrated our 36th anniversary! We were able to take a few days in the mountains near Chimney Rock, NC in our favorite River Cottage on the Broad River. We enjoyed our dinners on a screened-in-porch overlooking the river. There was nothing fancy about the accommodations, but the river was spectacular!



Dinner on the porch was great although the chef was questionable!

As the years keep flying by, we're reminded of God's watchful care over our lives.

Being in ministry is such a privilege...

1. To trust Him for all the details of our lives.
2. For Him to work IN US, and THROUGH US.
3. To share the message of His greatness, love and forgiveness.

.... And it's an incredible privilege to have you on our team. Thanks so much!!!



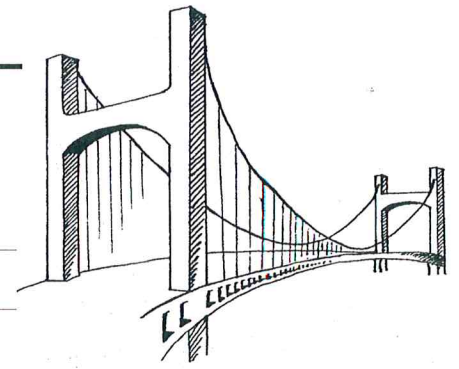
Mother's Day with Michaela and Kathryn... so much cuteness in one picture

Carroll + Pam

BRIDGES

David & Estelle Abernathy

June 2022



The time that is given us

A friend and I were talking recently about how few of our former teachers are still living. Our parents are gone now, as are most of our aunts and uncles, as well as any number of former colleagues and friends. As the hymn “Be Still My Soul” says, “The time is hastening on when we shall be forever with the Lord.” While neither he nor I were contemplating an imminent death, because of our ages we naturally give thought to what we are doing with the time that we still have on this earth, whether for full-time ministry, or just for day-to-day life and relationships.

In *The Fellowship of the Ring* in the *Lord of the Rings* trilogy Frodo confides to Gandalf, “I wish the Ring had never come to me. I wish none of this had happened.” Gandalf wisely replies, “So do all who live to see such times, but that is not for them to decide. All we have to decide is what to do with the time that is given to us.”

It was God who decided the point in history into which we would be born, as well as the place, the family, and the circumstances. We had no control over any of that. But we *can* determine what we do in the moment in time we find ourselves, and with the remaining time that is given us.



Gandalf and Frodo
From *The Fellowship of the Ring*

What about retirement?

Over the last year I have seen that my strength and energy are slowly waning. We would like to be able to give more time to our eight children, their five spouses, and our six grandchildren, and would like to be able to plan to retire in the not-too-distant future. However, for financial reasons that’s not an option that is open to us. But we believe that God has providentially put us here, with the resources we have, the gifts that we have, the strength and vitality we still have, and the opportunities that we have. Our hope is that we will be faithful to make the most of all of that. We would ask you to **pray** that by his grace God will **strengthen and enable us** to do that – we are both 69 years old this year – and that he would also provide the income and health that we will need to continue doing our tasks in the larger ministry of Bible translation.

Our family moving on

Life moves on, and some of our children are moving on as well. Stephen and Holly added Logan to their family on May 25; they live in Gastonia, NC. Emily is in the process of establishing her own psychotherapy practice. Michael will be moving soon to Northern Virginia to begin a doctoral study program in music, and Meredith and Jimi have moved to Wilmington so she can get a second degree, this one in Graphic Design. Philip may soon be discharged from the Marine Corps, though we don’t know when, and will probably be coming here for a bit, though we don’t know for how long. Katherine and Matt are looking to buy a house.

We would ask for your **prayers** for each of them, that **God would guide them** and be present with them in all their decisions and moves.

Logan Andrew Abernathy, born to Stephen and Holly on Wednesday, May 25.



Clockwise from top left: Logan, Holly and Stephen, Jonathan and Carmen, Meredith and Jimi, Matt and Katherine, Lora and Paul, Michael, Philip, and Emily



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

We give thanks...

- For the privilege and blessings of being in this work for these 35 years
- For all the people we have known, both here in the US, as well as overseas
- For the health and strength we have
- For the financial provision we receive

Please pray...

- For strength and energy to continue working at a good pace to help finish the task of Bible translation worldwide
- For guidance for our children as they move on in their paths of life

Thank you for your partnership with us! May you have a blessed Summer

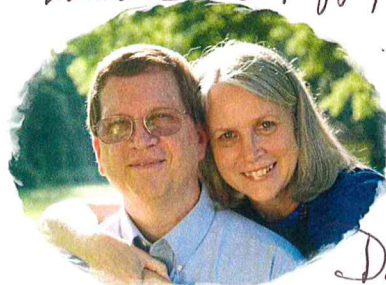
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AUGUST
2022

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

Business Office Hours

9:00 am - 6:00 pm (Monday - Wednesday)
Unless otherwise noted

Adult Choir Practice

Thursday's @ 5:30 p.m.

Key Officers and Staff

Clerk: Charlie Ipock / Ryan McCutchen, Asst.
Treasurer: Ray Drayton / Billy Clyburn, Asst.
Office Manager: Gwen Hayden Steinmeyer
Choir Dir. Bo Dickinson / Louise McCutchen, Asst.
Custodian: Melinda Atkinson
Pastor: Rev. Christopher Parnell

From the Pastor's Desk... They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, Sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is He who is speaking to you." He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped Him. (John 9:34-38 ESV)

So here's Jesus and the church, walking down the street. They come across a man who was born blind. Never seen the sun, never seen the moon or stars, never seen a baby's smile, never seen the ocean or trees, never seen the sky or his own parents' faces. The church looks at Jesus and asks him: "Why did this happen? Did his parents sin and he was punished for it? Did he sin in his mother's womb? Did God know he was going to sin? Why is he blind? Why? Why?!"

You can imagine (if you'd like) Jesus shaking his head like my Uncle Allen used to when me or my cousin would say something... well, that made him shake his head. Jesus instead says, "No. It wasn't his parents' sin, it wasn't his sin. He was born blind so that God's works might be shown through him." And then Jesus heals the man and goes on His way. Now, as you might expect, that got the man some attention. Here's a guy, born blind, been blind all his life, everybody knows him: "That's that blind guy!" And here he is... not blind! So they take him to the local preachers and say, "Hey - how'd this happen? This guy was blind, and now he can see. How did that happen?" So the preachers call for a forensic investigation. They call his mom & dad and ask, "Was he really blind? Is this really your son? Are you sure? You are?" So the preachers go back to the man and start asking him: "Who did this to you? You don't get better from blindness - who did this to you? Did Jesus do it? You know he's a sinner, don't you?" And the man replies, "Well, I don't know about that. Nobody's ever cured blindness before. Seems like the sort of thing you'd have to be really holy, really close to God to make happen, if you ask me." And the preachers shout him down, "What do you know? You're just a sinner, too. Get out of here." And Jesus heard... well, you can read John 9:35 for yourself.

I don't know if you were paying attention, but throughout John 9, there's a series of questions. First is "WHY?" Why did this happen? Why is he this way? Why is she that way? Why am I...? Why? Second is "HOW?" How did you do this? How did he do this for you? How can I get what you get? How? Third is "WHO?" Who gave you that? Who did that for you? Who can I blame for this? Who can get me out of that? Who? But I hope you notice how Jesus answers each of these questions.

When the disciples ask "WHY?" he explains - so that God can be glorified when I heal him. Why are people hungry around me? So that God can be glorified when the church feeds them. Why is she lonely? So that God can be glorified when you visit her. Why does he hurt? So that God can be glorified when I share my life - and my Savior Jesus with him.

When the people ask "HOW?" Jesus explains - by obeying Me, even in the little things like washing mud out of your eyes. It doesn't take something HUGE, BIG, SPECTACULAR. As God himself said through Zechariah, don't overlook the little things - things like smiles, kindness, helping. Maybe it's helping a poor old man pick up his spilt cans. Maybe it's comforting a crying momma in a McDonalds. Listen for Jesus saying "Do this" - and do it.

And we all know the answer to the last one. "WHO?" It's Jesus - it's always Jesus. "Lord, I believe." Amen and amen. - Pastor Chris



August Sunday Sermons

7th: *God the Father Almighty*
 14th: *God the Son our Lord*
 21st: *God the Holy Spirit*
 28th: *God the Triune*

Exodus 34:1-10
Philippians 2:1-11
Joel 2:17-32
Matthew 28:16-20

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

Well, it's been an eventful summer and as we head toward kids going back to school, we've been thrilled to have the Dickinson's kick-off an exciting and fun event of Music Camp! This has been in the works for many months, maybe years, so we are thrilled the time has struck. The Session has been working hard at creating new ministries such as this, the Blessing Boxes, and contemplating others such as; visiting the elderly and creating ongoing care packages. Should you have something that has been on your heart or mind, we certainly would love to hear it.

Please keep families, parents, teachers, and our youth in your prayers as they begin school. This summer has seemed to fly-by, though we are so fortunate to have had a fairly "normal" summer given all that has gone on in the past years.

We welcome anyone that doesn't have a Church home to visit ours, our doors are wide open.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please let us on the Session know - God Bless!

In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session

Next Session Meeting: August 14th @ 8:30 a.m.

AUGUST ELDERS-ON-CALL

Matt Bramlett & *Gregg McCutchen

***denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities**

Welcome to the c/o 2025

- Ryan McCutchen
- Wendy Welch
- Cindy Welsh

Thanks to our 2022 Elder Nominating Committee:
Matt Bramlett, Diane McElveen, Jennifer McCutchen, MaryAnna Welsh

Churchwide Picnic



Annual Church Picnic
Location, Time & Date: TBD
Keep checking upcoming bulletins for more info
If you are willing to host, please email the Church office

July 2022 Statistics

Attendance Average's

Worship: 49 Sunday School: 14

Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)

MTD Income received:	\$17,070.55
YTD Income received:	\$106,368.80
Budgeted YTD Income Needed:	\$118,244.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$18,451.09
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$114,846.30
Budgeted YTD Expenses:	\$119,677.00

Non-Budgeted Income & Expenses
(Memorial, Building, & Cemetery Funds)

MTD Income received:	\$300.00
YTD Income received:	\$5,245.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$00.0
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$1,657.24

The Men of the Church & the PW Night Circle resumes in September
The Morning Circle has dis-banned



Please contact the Church Office to be added, changed, and/or removed from the Circle, Men of Church, Coffee (when resumes), Flower, and/or Nursery calendar and/or to update pertinent personal information



SUMMER CLEANUP

Saturday, August 6th @ 8:30 a.m.

To complete any tasks not finished on the Master Cleaning/Repair Chart in the Fellowship Hall. If anyone can come out and help, it would be very appreciated. You can check off items that you have already cleaned/repared and add some that you think are needed. Please leave chart in Fellowship Hall so we'll know what has & hasn't been completed

SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR



AUGUST 2022

7th: Bert Cousar
 14th: Debbie & Bill Tindal
 21st: Bill Welsh Family
 28th: Gregg & Jenny McCutchen

SEPTEMBER 2022

4th: Jim & Barbara Latimer
 11th: Jenny & Gregg McCutchen
 18th: Jennifer & Perry McCutchen
 25th: Reese & Melinda Atkinson

OCTOBER 2022

2nd: Liz & Billy Simon
 9th: Ray & Jackie Drayton
 16th: Christine Shirley Family
 23rd: Virginia & Charlie Ipock
 30th: Mike Monroe

NOVEMBER 2022

6th: Crues & Renee Bell
 13th: Wendy & Benny Welch
 20th: Ray & Jackie Drayton
 27th: Hanging of the Greens - 1st Advent

DECEMBER 2022

4th - 25th: Advent & Christmas Poinsettia's

JANUARY 2023

1st: Jenny & Gregg McCutchen
 8th: Kerry & Steven Frazier
 15th: Renee & Crues Bell
 22nd: Virginia & Charlie Ipock
 29th: Carol Latimer Finethy

FEBRUARY 2023

5th: Jim Ed & MaBeth McCutchen
 12th: Iris Thomas Family
 19th: OPEN
 26th: Marsha & Jimmy McCutchen

MARCH 2023

5th: Renee & Crues Bell
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Calendar runs September to September

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To my Church Family: Thank you for the Bible and Devotional! And Thank you for always praying & supporting me! - Lacie McElveen

The Lee County Salkehatchie Camps wishes to thank all of the Church members who nourished our bodies and souls on Wednesday, July 29th at your refreshing luncheon! The curly chips was a real treat and so original. Thank you also for your support and endorsement at each one of our 3 sites. It is so amazing to see so many Churches coming together to make our service work in the Bishopville area so meaningful over so many years. Your Church shows God's love and action with purpose. Your Church is a true blessing to your community.
- Sincerely, Camper Barb Christ

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INFOCUS

**Are You Open to
Bigger Blessings?**



Sometimes God asks us to give up one blessing for a better one. It's a pretty easy choice when the new blessing is right in front of us. But it's much harder to let go when God asks us to give up something good, in faith, before we know what the new blessing is or when we can expect it.

This was the sort of difficult decision that Misriani Balle faced in 2003 when a Bible translator asked her to leave her promising career to help translate the Helong Bible — a job she knew almost nothing about.

Although a Bible translation wasn't available in Helong when Mis was a child, the Indonesian Bible was an important part of her family's life. So when a Bible translator began work on a translation of the New Testament into Helong, Mis' parents were thrilled.

As the work progressed, Helong speakers in various churches on Semau Island helped check the translation drafts to make sure they communicated clearly and accurately. When Mis' parents' church hosted one of these community checks, they asked Mis to come home and help. Although reluctant to take time off work from her government job, she agreed.

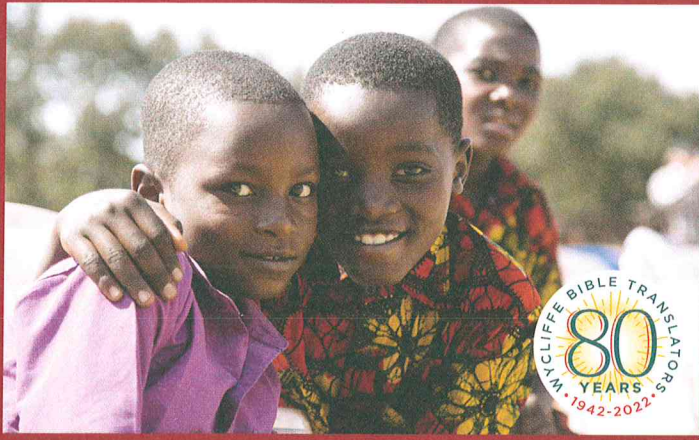
Mis' role was to serve food to those working on the translation — not to participate in the community checks. But one day as she was listening to them work, they asked her opinion about a particular passage and she responded with a good suggestion. Realizing that Mis had great potential, the translator sat down with Mis and offered her a higher education if she came to work on the project.

At first Mis responded with a firm no. How could she step away from her career to go work with someone she had just met doing a job she knew almost nothing about? But to her surprise, nearly everyone in her family and church told Mis she should take the opportunity. Not only would Mis get to pursue a college education, but she would be able to help them get the Scriptures in Helong.

When the translator's last morning on the island arrived, he approached Mis once again and asked her to reconsider, saying, "Why don't you go and ask God what he says?" As she prayed, questions and doubts swirled in her head and no clear answer came. But Mis heard herself saying yes to the Bible translator's offer.

Over the next nine years, Mis helped complete the Helong New Testament and finished a college degree paid for entirely by generous ministry partners in Australia. Following the Helong New Testament dedication in 2012, an anonymous sponsor offered to send Mis to graduate school in Thailand. With this training, Mis has more confidence and hopes to help with other Bible translation efforts in Indonesia or wherever God calls her.

Although Mis had to give up the security of her career in order to pursue God's plan for her life, her family could not be more thrilled. For them, nothing is more important than having the Bible in their language. And God has continued to abundantly provide.



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A GLIMPSE OF INDONESIA

Stretching across the Indian and Pacific Oceans, Indonesia is the world's fourth most populous nation. The country is made up of more than 13,000 unique, complex and diverse islands and is home to more than 700 distinct people groups, each with their own languages and cultures.

The church in Indonesia is growing, but many people haven't yet heard about the hope found in the Bible. Traditional beliefs are prevalent in many areas, and some people live in fear of ancestral spirits. But Scripture is powerful and transformative, and teams are working hard to connect local people to God's Word.

You can make a difference in places like Indonesia by joining our prayer team. Sign up at wycliffe.org/prayer to receive prayer emails on various countries, people groups and more to help you pray about what God is doing around the world.

INDONESIA FAST FACTS*



POPULATION:
277,329,163

TOTAL NUMBER
OF LANGUAGES:
700+

AREA COMPARATIVE:
**Approximately 3 times
the size of Texas.**

**Source: cia.gov*



WAYS TO PRAY FOR THE WORLD

- » That God will call more local translators like Mis to further the work of Bible translation in Indonesia and around the world.
- » The remaining languages across Indonesia that are still waiting for Scripture.
- » Praise: The impact that Scripture is having on the hearts and lives of many people in Indonesia.

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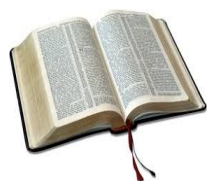
Pastor: Rev. Christopher Parnell

From the Pastor's Desk... In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:1-5 ESV)

For the first 12-13 years of my life we lived in the town of Iva. In those days (channeling my inner Luke), Iva was a more bustling town than today. About 3,000 people lived there. It had a cotton mill, several small and one large grocery, two video rental stores, two barbers downtown, a gazebo, and four laundromats. I know, because when our washer & dryer went out, we visited each of them. And we lived in the thick of it. About two blocks from our little yellow house were two restaurants - Dud's, which was more of a Sunday place & the Dog Pound, which served - you guessed it - hot dogs & burgers. So imagine mine & my siblings' surprise when we moved from town out to the country, where my Mom & Dad still live today. No streetlights. No cars. No restaurants or neighbors around the block. No blocks, even! For the first time in my life, when I went out at night, what did I see? Darkness. Honest-to-goodness, you can tell the difference between a moonlit night and a starlit night darkness. I'll admit, it was a little unsettling at first. But as time went on (and my dad installed an outdoor light) we got used to it.

A pastor I love to sit under & learn from likes to say the American church has been spoiled. For most of our Christian lives, we've lived in a friendly, light-filled world. What do I mean? We're not persecuted. Until recently, we weren't openly mocked or opposed. We're not even taxed! We have certain protections and open fellowship within our own churches and with other area churches. We've got neighbors, we've got busy-ness, we get to do & live our faith under the "streetlights" of a community where the biggest buildings - again, until recently - in most towns were churches. But, if we're honest, that seems to be changing. Those "lights" are getting dimmer and dimmer. Banks and hospitals - wealth & health - have become the tallest, grandest structures surrounding us. New idols crept in while we were sitting in the light, being spoiled by it. The world is changing, our nation is changing, and the only consistent about that change is that both world and nation are becoming less & less Christian - and less & less tolerant of Christianity.

Darkness is falling, a darkness we've never lived through before. What do we do? The light shines in the darkness... No flashlight is ever as bright as when the lights go out at home. No car-lights shine so gloriously as on that moonless country road. And no Gospel light - the light of Christ Jesus himself - shines so brightly as when that light breaks apart the dark around it. When it gets dark, what should we do? Turn and preach and teach and trust in Christ Jesus, just like brothers & sisters have been doing and will be doing in the Church since her beginnings. Look to the light and shine in Him. The worst thing we can do is get used to the dark, to sigh and say, "I guess things just have to be this way." No. The darkness cannot and will not overcome the light of Christ, and Jesus himself has promised that the Darkness of Hell itself and all those destined for it will be broken like waves on a rock against his Church! "On this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it!" (Matthew 16:18). The light shines in the darkness, and the Light is Jesus Christ. He's got this. Amen. - Pastor Chris



September Sunday Sermons

4th:	<i>Of first Importance</i>	1 Corinthians 15:1-11
11th:	<i>The Day of the Lord</i>	1 Thessalonians 5:1-23
18th:	<i>Wake up & see (part 1)</i>	Matthew 24:3-31
25th:	<i>Wake up & see (part 2)</i>	Matthew 24:3-31

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

The Session has been working hard at creating new ministries such as the Blessing Boxes, visiting the elderly and care packages. Should you have something that has been on your heart or mind, we certainly would love to hear it.

Please continue to keep students, teachers, and their families in your prayers as they journey through this new year of school.

We welcome anyone that doesn't have a Church home to visit ours, our doors are wide open.

The Session cordially invites everyone to come to our family picnic on Sunday, September 11th, following the worship service. You don't need to be a member to attend.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please let us on the Session know - God Bless!

In Christ, Charlie Ipock, Clerk of Session

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Host: NEEDED**

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We hope to have a good attendance!



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Virginia Clyburn-Ipock	20	Kent McCutchen	10
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Bert Cousar	22	Aaron Easters	16
Lindsay Simon	22	B. J. Kerr	17
William Frazier	24	Marilyn Adams	19
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*Thank you to everyone for all the prayers, calls, texts, concerns, etc... for my brother, Charles Hayden. He is finally home, but still has a long road ahead of him. We covet your continued prayers as he challenges his next steps ahead. With all our gratitude & appreciation
- Gwen Steinmeyer, for all of the Hayden family*

*Thank you to everyone that participated in the Clean-Up Day. The Church looks great! Everyone did a great job! Thanks also, to those who are still ongoing with their projects!
When everyone comes together it really shows!!!*

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Starting year #41 in ministry... ...Still impacting lives!



Carroll and Pam Baker
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803-206-2542 Carroll's cell
803-206-1519 Pam's cell

August 2022

When I graduated from South Carolina in 1982, I knew that God wanted me to go into ministry, I just didn't know for how long. So here I am...40 years later. Nearly 20 years with CRU and now over 20 with FCA equal 40! Two great ministries have led to incredible opportunities for Pam and I. (Here's a little secret... for Pam, this is actually 45 years of ministry involvement!)

...And still going strong!



At **FCA Team Football Camp** in July, both the **Camden** and **Lugoff Elgin** teams were able to attend. The guys are still talking about it. Here I am with the two rival teams **praying** together prior to **playing** together. This only happens at FCA Team Camp!

(It was great to see it happen again since we had missed the past 2 years.)

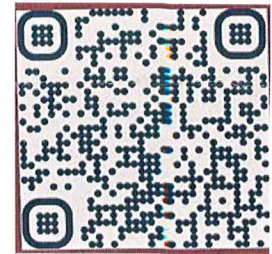
How about this... New in 2022!

A QR code to scan with your cellphone that will take you straight to our giving site.

<https://my.fca.org/carrollbaker>

Your next contribution is just seconds away, and you can help us finish our fiscal year this month with a real boost! **Now is the time!**

Join our Home Team today!



At **Irmo High School**, as we gathered to pray for the school year, we were able to pray especially for the new Principal, **Karen Hampton**, She was so encouraged!



Our Midlands staff at our Tim Tebow event... nearly 2000 attended, with many commitments and recommitments.

*Over the years there have been many challenges as we have been involved in ministry. Yet God has been our incredible **Sustainer!** God has given us a wonderfully group of what we call our **Home Team**... ministry partners who regularly pray for us and give financially on regular basis. We couldn't have made it without your help!*

We are so thankful for your investment in seeing lives transformed. Your friendship is such a special blessing to us!

Carroll + Pam

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From the Pastor's Desk... Only a couple of weeks ago, I stood on a high school football field for the first time in forever. No, I wasn't playing, and I sure wasn't coaching. I stood there beside my middle daughter, all dressed up and feeling proud because she'd been invited to be a homecoming escort for one of the football players.

Homecoming's a funny thing. As far as I can tell, it's one of our distinctly American traditions (though I found out some churches in Canada also celebrate it). We invite alumni to our high schools & colleges, we invite members of our churches who've moved to other areas, and we celebrate a moment of reconnection. Usually there's some food going on, too.

It's a great celebration. But is it Biblical? Is it God-honoring? In other words, how does God feel about our distinctly American tradition of homecoming?

Well... listen to what Jesus says about it: "Believe in God; believe also in Me. In My Father's home are many rooms. If it weren't so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also."

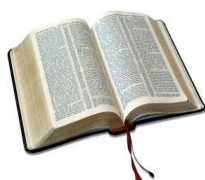
What's he saying? That His Father - our Father in heaven - has a home, and that He, Jesus, is coming to bring us home one day? That there will be a homecoming on that Last Day, for which all these little homecomings are but a rehearsal? Could that really be?

Yep. When we the Church celebrate a homecoming, a gathering of all our living saints from wherever we've scattered, from whenever we joined the church... When we remind our community that we are connected, even though we might be miles & months apart from seeing each other... When we look out across our sanctuary & fellowship hall and see that church-family, we're both getting ready for that great & final Homecoming, and we're testifying about it to the world around us. See how great this is?

You want to be a part of this? Just wait until the King comes back and takes us to His home! So I look forward to seeing you this year. God bless you - Pastor Chris



October Sunday Sermons



2nd:	<i>Comfort</i>	2 Corinthians 1:3-11
9th:	???	???
	(HOMECOMING - Rev. Dr. Will Gaines)	
16th:	<i>Triumph</i>	2 Corinthians 2:14-17
23rd:	<i>Glory</i>	2 Corinthians 3:7-18
30th:	<i>Jars of Clay</i>	2 Corinthians 4:1-12

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

The Session met on September 9th and all Elders were present. A new Clerk, was appointed, as Charlie had to step down for personal reasons, but remains actively on the Session. The Session elected Gregg McCutchen as Clerk to finish out the 2022 year.

The air is feeling a lot like Fall and the Session is looking forward to our Homecoming on October 9th. This will be the first time since 2018, since we have had a Homecoming. We normally have Homecoming on every even year, but cancelled 2020, due to Covid. This will be our 184th Celebration and we are honored to have Rev. Will & Mrs. Julia Gaines to help us celebrate.. If you know of anyone that you want the Church to send a special invitation to, please contact me or the Church office.

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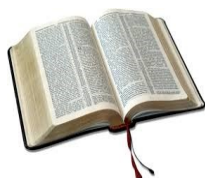
From the Pastor's Desk... The days are getting shorter, the sun rises later every day, and the night comes on cooler and cooler. Winter must be right around the corner again. Me? I love winter. Richard Adams argued that people who say they love winter actually love being winter-proof, what with our jackets and heaters and layers of clothes, and if we didn't have all those things we wouldn't love winter, actually, we'd hate it. I personally think he's overthinking it, but hey, it's okay. One way or the other, whether I love the season or proof against it, I love winter.

What do I love about winter? I love the cold air and soup and fires in the chimney. I love early morning hunts with my breath puffing out in front of me. I love to look at how ice cakes on plants and cars - how clean and clear it all looks! I love to see the dog bounding out on the ground, to hear his joyful barking at whatever birds he can roust about. I love the crackle of hard ground and frosted grass - if not the crunch of snow under foot. I love those cold, clear nights when the night sky seems to hold its blackest dark and the stars seem to gleam their brightest light. And, perhaps best of all, I love walking in the late winter's eve beside my wife, looking at the warm yellow lights pouring out of houses all around. Yep. I love winter.

It all reminds me of that thing Jesus talked about in Matthew 5:14, when he says to us, "You are the light of the world, a city set on a hill that can't be hidden." What's Jesus saying to us? That we're the light of the world? I thought He was the Light of the World? What gives?

Yes, in John 8:12, Jesus does say, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." And in John 9:5 He also says, "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." But He clearly tells us in Matthew 5 that we, His church, are supposed to light the world.

What Jesus means is this: That, like those houses on a winter's night, we live in a cold, dark place. The world lives under a perpetual winter of the soul, separated from God, at enmity with God's people, isolated and icy in spirit. And the Church? We're those houses standing in the darkness, shining Jesus' light and love and hope and warmth. We're literally called to be light-houses - to have Jesus the Light of the World living in us, shining out of us! Jesus goes on to say, don't put that light under a bucket. Don't hide it! Don't close the curtains on the world - as icy cold and dead as it seems. So love the winter - both the literal season Jesus made for us, and the winter of the world around us. Love it because you're "winterproof" belonging to Jesus, and love it because those people in that living death of spiritual winter need the light that's in us. They need Jesus, and Jesus came to shine in the darkness... and the darkness and the cold can't stop Him! So this winter holiday season - with Thanksgiving and Advent and Christmas and New Year's - shine that light. Walk those winter lanes. Be warm and give warmth. Share Jesus. God bless you all! Chris



November Sunday Sermons

6th	<i>Courage</i>	2 Corinthians 5:1-10
13h:	<i>Favor</i>	2 Corinthians 6:1-10
20th:	<i>Our True King</i>	2 Corinthians 7:1-10
27th:	<i>Hanging of Greens/1st Advent</i>	2 Corinthians 7:1-10

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

I would like to send out a great big thank you to the Worship Committee. Perry & Ryan McCutchen ya'll did a great job on our 184th Homecoming reunion. It was great to have Will & Julia Gaines here to make our day even more special.

November is a month I always look forward to. Thanksgiving is one of my favorite holidays. It's a time to count your blessings and to enjoy family and friends.

We are working hard trying to get our 2023 budget in place. This is about believing that God will help provide for the needs of our Church.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please call the Church office or my cell (803.229.5307).

In Christ, Gregg McCutchen III, Clerk of Session

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Congratulations to Tyner & Jae Logan on the safe arrival of their daughter, McKinnon Elizabeth Logan, born September 26, 2022. The proud grandparents are Matt & Betsy Bramlett and the Proud Great-Grandmother is Betty Manning Heriot

Thank you to the Worship Committee for all the hard work that you did for making our 184th Homecoming a great success. Thanks also to Will & Julia Gaines for making our day more special! – Gregg McCutchen, Session Clerk

Thank you to everyone that sent comforting prayers, texts, & phone calls after the sudden death of my sweet, beautiful, & nonjudgmental (trusted everyone & all that knew him, loved him) nephew, Rusty Johnson. We covet your continued prayers, as we await his autopsy report. In Christian Love - Gwen Steinmeyer

Don't forget to order your Poinsettia's
 Order forms are in bulletins and in the Church office. Plants will adorn the Sanctuary
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Hanging of Greens Service
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 Come join us as our Sanctuary comes alive with the sights and sounds of the Advent season.

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November December

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Rawlins Crues Smith	3	Sara Catherine Corbett	6
Jerry Adams	4	Gordon Eckley	8
Thaddeus Matthew Bailey	8	Becky Crichton	9
Maddie Varn	8	Mike Monroe	13
Jill McElveen	9	Janice Reynolds	13
Eddie Boykin	10	Boochie Swearingen	13
Catherine Bell Smith	12	Dawn Levers	14
Cally Bell	14	Maggie Corbett	15
MaryAnna Welsh	14	Tom Kerr	18
Peggy Corbett	15	Jennifer McCutchen	18
Missy Kirven	20	Billy Simon	20
Perry McCutchen	22	Jane Clyburn	22
Dr. Leon Hunt	23	Retta Tindal	24
Jackie Drayton	25	Brooke Welch	24
Teresa Sweatman	26	Wyatt Frazier	28
Jane Harrington	27	Rena Smith	29
Sissy Jeffords	29		
Lisa Jeffords	30		



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Monday, November 14th
6:30 pm. Bethlehem UMC
Meal: \$10/pp
Deadline: Nov. 9th



Harvest Banquet

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Please help, on a rotation schedule, so everyone gets a chance to enjoy the worship service on Sunday mornings

The PW are collecting items for college & boarding school care packages. A collection box is in the Fellowship Hall. Suggested Items: chips, nuts, candy, crackers, gum, puzzle books, pen, etc... Collection deadline November 20th. We currently have 6-8 students




Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry
Deadline for shoebox collection is Sunday, November 6th. The Kids for Christ will have a shoe box packing & pizza party on Sunday, November 6th, after Church. A drop box and supplies/info are in the Fellowship Hall. We're collecting: crayons, small flash lights w/batteries, Baseball Caps/Visors, hair pins/barrettes, coloring books, costume jewelry, personal hygiene (ex: toothbrushes, soap, washcloths, cups, spoons), etc...



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These boxes are stocked/maintained with food, necessities, Quarterly Daily Breads, and Bibles and have been placed throughout our community and we anticipate our children stocking, maintaining, and updating the Church about the progress. **We will collect items on the 1st Sunday of each month @ Worship.** Items needed: non-perishable, ready-to-eat foods and prepackaged personal & hygiene products (ex: toothbrush/toothpaste, utensils, salt/pepper), etc...



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2022

DECEMBER

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From the Pastor's Desk... In the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God. The Word was God . . . and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from God the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:1; 14)

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, & forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

So this snowy road was our home street when we lived in North Carolina, near what's called the Brushy Mountains. Every year, starting in December (sometimes even in late November), we'd get snow. Sometimes we'd get a dusting, and sometimes, like in this picture, we'd get 8-10 inches. We actually bought & kept our own sleds! As a matter of fact, it was while we lived in that part of North Carolina when we had our first truly "white" Christmas. I'll never forget that week of Christmas, opening the front door and hearing the kids all cry out for joy behind me: "Mommy! Daddy! Look, look, look! It's snowing!"

I used to love to see how the snow changed things around us. The little ditch alongside the road, the bare trees, even mailboxes and the dirty grey road itself, all those everyday things, when they got covered by that blanket of snow looked and felt magical. The only problem was, you knew that the snow would melt, and things would go back to the way they were. You'd lose that beauty, that fun, that perilous but incredible purity of the new-fallen snow. Snow is temporary.

How many times in our lives have we tried to cover things up, make things better, only to have those changes melt away like snow? New Years' resolutions, new diets, new gym memberships, new commitments, even new jobs or new relationships - but the same old results, over and over and over again. If only something would land on us that wouldn't melt away like snow, that wouldn't get our dirt on it or our tracks in it... But what lasts forever? What covers us indefinitely?

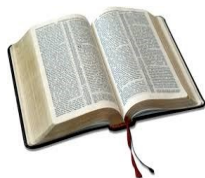
And this brings us to Jesus. He was in the beginning, creating everything that exists. He was there when we messed up, covering us, helping us back up. He was there when we were sick, He was there when we were afraid, He was there when the boat was sinking. And He's here today. Like snow, when Jesus covers our lives, he brings that bracing, new feeling. He chills our sins, covers our dirty-grey roads, and makes us new and pure. He's dangerous - make no mistake. We'll never be the same when Jesus covers us, nor should we want to be. But unlike snow, this Jesus will cover us forever. He won't melt away, He won't ever quit.

So this Christmas - whether it's a "white" Christmas or not - thank God for Jesus. Turn to Him for your hope and salvation. After all, He is the "reason for the season."

Merry Christmas! Pastor Chris



December Sunday Sermons



4th

Immanuel

Isaiah 9:2-7

11h:

The Shepherd King

Psalm 23

18th: Elder Installation & Children's Christmas program

25th:

The Prince of Peace

Micah 5:2-5

NEWS FROM THE SESSION...

Can you believe it's already December. Time is really moving fast. So many times, especially this time of year, we forget to focus on the TRUE meaning of Christmas. Let's make sure our children and grandchildren are aware of what we celebrate - the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. What a beautiful story that our God loved us enough to send His Only Son into this world to save us from our sins.

I hope each of you have a wonderful Christmas and enjoy your time with family & friends.

We continue to pray for our homebound and those who are lonely and in need. Lord help us to be an example of your love in everything we say and do.

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December Advent Lighter Schedule

- Dec. 4th (2nd) BJ Kerr & Perry McCutchen
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Thankful for the opportunities...



November 2022

The older I get, the more I realize that God keeps working all around us, surprising us, in ways we could not have predicted!

At Irmo High School, we are on the verge of getting our FCA Huddle restarted. Recently I asked two student leaders to meet me at lunch. The starting QB and a very talented softball player agreed to join me. As we talked about FCA getting started, a baseball player joined us... then another baseball player... then 2 other football players. They all were interested in helping FCA get going. They all agreed... Irmo HS needs to have a growing and thriving FCA huddle!

So it's happening! The first FCA huddle meeting in several years will be **Thursday, December 1** during both lunch periods. The students even contacted their principal, Dr. Kaaren Hampton. She was so excited too!



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I've continued to meet with student athletes at **Lugoff Elgin High School** during lunch each week. Recently, had 6 at first lunch then 11 at second lunch... they just kept on coming. I'll buy 4 or 5 pizzas and then look into God's word to challenge them to grow.

The relationship with these athletes continue to grow and it really seems that they are hungry to grow spiritually, not just hungry for pizza!

At both schools I have enjoyed stepping out in faith to challenge these young athletes.

The return of Lee County GameDay

After a two year COVID absence, we were able to get our Lee County Teams together again at the 19th Lee County GameDay. I'm always amazed when I see the two teams come together for a meal and a message. **Lee Academy** and **Lee Central**, a historically white school and a historically black school, finding fellowship in **Bishopville, South Carolina**, my hometown!

I'm so thankful!



We are very thankful that Pam is doing so much better in every area and I have been able to take on new ministry opportunities. She's doing better now than at any point in the past two years!

Thanks for standing with us! Your faithfulness as you pray for us and support our ministry is such a gift. We appreciate your kindness and generosity!



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