

# The Scroll

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## **Bishopville Presbyterian Church**

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### *January At A Glance*

- 1st: Ken out of pulpit - Nick West in pulpit**
- 2nd: Church Office closed for holiday**
- 3rd: Adult Fellowship resumes**
- 5th: Adult Choir practice resumes**
- 8th: Session / Communion / Cents-Ability / covered-dish lunch**
- 15th: PWCT / Annual Congregational meeting**
- 16th: Church Office closed / Night Circle meets**
- 17th: Morning & Afternoon Circles meet**
- 18th: Men of the Church meet**



### Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
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Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

### Thursday Schedule

Adult Choir - 6:00 p.m.

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9:00 am - 3:00 pm (Monday - Thursday)  
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Gwen Hayden Steinmeyer, Office Manager

Happy  
New  
Year's!



# January 2012



# *BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*

*EOC: \*Cindy Welsh & Jerry Adams*

## *Calendar of Events*

- Sunday, 1st:** 1st Sunday after Christmas  
LCCM Altar Food collection @ worship service  
Ken out of pulpit - Nick West in pulpit  
Coffee: T-Bo Ellen, Tyson Eckley, & Steven Welsh  
Flowers: Iris Thomas
- Monday, 2nd:** Church Office closed
- Tuesday, 3rd:** Adult Fellowship resumes “*Soup Luncheon*”
- Thursday, 5th:** 6:00 p.m. Adult Choir practice resumes
- Sunday, 8th:** Baptism of the Lord Sunday  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session meeting  
11:00 a.m. Communion & Cents-Ability offering  
12:00 p.m. Covered-dish luncheon  
**NO COFFEE HOUR**  
Flowers: Edie & Jeff Varn
- Sunday, 15th:** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9:00 a.m. PWCT meeting  
12:00 p.m. Annual Congregational Meeting  
Coffee: Cindy Welsh & Debbie Tindal  
Flowers: Kathryn & Hank Welsh
- Monday, 16th:** Church Office Closed (MLK Day)  
7:00 p.m. Night Circle (Marsha McCutchen)
- Tuesday, 17th:** 10:00 a.m. Morning Circle (Jackie Drayton in FH)  
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle (Jean Woodmansee)
- Wednesday, 18th:** 7:00 p.m. Men of Church (William & Steven Welsh)
- Sunday, 22nd:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Coffee: Aaron & Kim Easters  
Flowers: Carol & Billy Finethy
- Sunday, 29th:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Coffee: Beth & Dick McCutchen  
Flowers: Wendy & Benny Welch

**Pantry collection for January LCCM: Grits**



I read an article written by a pastor friend of mine which I think is very appropriate for the New Year. He noted that the Bible frequently speaks about the "new thing" that God is working in our lives. Yet many times we miss the "new thing" God is doing because we stay focused on our past; the baggage, the hurts, the failures, the disappointments. These events so affect our lives that most of us have a difficult time moving beyond the baggage that comes with such events. Every parent knows that children from birth to 1 year old, or who weigh less than 20 pounds, must be secured in a rear-facing child safety seat. Once that safety requirement has been met, you are able to turn those seats around and the child can suddenly see forward. They can see what is happening in front of them, instead of only seeing life as it goes past them. A lot of us who no longer sit in car seats need to turn our seats forward. We need to stop looking and living only in the past at what used to be, and begin to look forward as Isaiah said, "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!" God is always doing a "new thing" in our lives. I believe that our attitude toward the New Year will depend on which direction our seat is facing. When we dwell on the past, we dwell on what cannot be changed and that inevitably leads to despair. When we face the future we look for the "new thing" God will be doing in our lives. This year make sure your seat is facing forward, so you will experience all that God is doing in your life. You won't want to miss a single thing the Lord brings in this New Year. - *Love in*

## Happy Birthday

### JANUARY

- Robert McCutchen III 2
- Ann West 2
- Rhetta Simon Cloyd 3
- Chip Smith 3
- Bill Tindal 3
- Kody Mills McCutchen 4
- Joseph Hamilton Hicks 6
- John Bell, Jr 9
- Will McElveen 9
- Kean Scott III 9
- Marvis Baker 11
- John Crues Bell IV 12
- Bill Conway 13
- Steven Welsh 13
- Ken Cutler 14
- T-Bo Ellen 16
- Carole Scott 18
- Aidan Hilditch 25
- Jean Woodmansee 26
- Gayle Kerr 27
- Brooke Harrington 30
- Amber Harrington 30
- Josh Kirven 30
- John Latimer 30



## February

- Kayla McCutchen 1
- Laura Latimer 4
- Harry Woodmansee 4
- Tina Hicks 5
- Lee Hunt 9
- Hampton Gaskins 15
- Martha Kay Hunt 15
- Benny Welch III 15
- Patrick Finethy 17
- Bubba Muldrow 20
- Rev. Ewell Black 21
- Naomi McCutchen 21
- Myers Varn 21
- Shirley Wallace 28

**Love your enemies and do good, hoping for nothing in return.**  
 - - adapted from Luke 6:35



### January Sermons

- 1st: "No Greater Example of Faith in the Bible" Matt 2:1-8  
Nick West
- 8th: "A Plan for the New Year" Isaiah 43:19
- 15th: "Being Found" John 1:43-51
- 22nd: "Being Called" Mark 1:14-20
- 29th "From Relationship To Authority" Mark 1:21-28

### January

### Greeter's

### February

- |                         |  |                       |
|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 1st Betty Heriot        |  | 5th Jimmy McCutchen   |
| 8th Dr. Leon Hunt       |  | 12th Kayla McCutchen  |
| 15th Kirven Family      |  | 19th Marsha McCutchen |
| 22nd Dawn Levers        |  | 26th Perry McCutchen  |
| 29th Jennifer McCutchen |  |                       |

### January Helping Hands

### December

- |                                    |  |                                    |
|------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| 1st Caroline Welch                 |  | 5th: Caroline Welch                |
| 8th Conner Welch                   |  | 12th Conner Welch                  |
| 15th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch |  | 19th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch |
| 22nd Kayla & Caroline              |  | 26th Kayla & Caroline              |
| 29th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett      |  |                                    |

### January

### Bell Ringer's

### February

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| 8th: Kayla & Caroline              |  | 12th Kayla & Caroline              |
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| 29th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett      |  |                                    |



Please contact the Church office if you would like to receive or discontinue using offering envelopes

Please visit again soon... Diane, Brianna, Samantha, Luke, & Hannah Giddings



**Church Office closed January 2nd & 16th**

If you are not currently receiving an eSCROLL, eBulletin, eNews, or eMail but wish to, please email the church at [bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net](mailto:bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net). Printed newsletters and bulletins are also available. Please contact the Church office or an Elder for printed copies.

## News from the Session...

The Session met on December 11th with a full agenda. First, on behalf of the Session and congregation, I would like to welcome the Class of 2014! The new members are: Jerry Adams, Carl Frazier, Meredith Gaskins, and Gregg McCutchen III. They were questioned, examined, and approved by the Session on December 11th and installed into office on December 18th. The Session thanked the members rotating off for their excellent service. Officers and committee members were elected as follows; Clerk: Dick McCutchen, Assistant Clerk: Gregg McCutchen III, Treasurer: Gregg McCutchen III, Witness Chair: Cindy Welsh, Christian Education Chair: Meredith Gaskins, Worship Chair: BJ Kerr, Property Chair, Gregg McCutchen III. If anyone would like to participate on a particular committee, please contact one of the committee chairs.

Elders Billy Clyburn and Judith Watkins were approved to audit the 2011 financial records and report their finding at the February meeting.

I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and I look forward to working with each of our Session and congregational members in the coming year.

If I can be of any help, please don't hesitate to call (428-6322).  
Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

### OFFICER DUTIES FOR JANUARY

**Jerry Adams & \*Cindy Welsh**

\* denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities

**The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, January 15th, during morning worship service, for the purpose of reporting the 2011 Statistical report that was sent to Presbytery, the 2011 overall financial reports and the 2012 Budget.**



**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be celebrated on **Sunday, January 8th**. Extended communion is gladly served in the homes of those who cannot attend. Please contact the pastor or an elder in order to arrange for extended services. **BJ Kerr & Dick McCutchen are in charge of assignments.**



**Cents-Ability Offering** will be collected on **Sunday, January 8th**. All proceeds will help

Statistics	
<u>Month of December, 2012</u>	
as of December 29th	
Average Attendance: SS - 59, Worship - 103	
<u>Budgeted Income &amp; Expenses (operating)</u>	
MTD Income received:	\$19,468.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$16,452.26
YTD Income received:	\$162,537.66
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$141,271.30
<b>Budgeted YTD Income:</b>	<b>\$154,055.50</b>
<b>Budgeted YTD Expenses:</b>	<b>\$154,055.50</b>
<u>Non-Budgeted Income &amp; Expenses</u>	
(Memorial, Building, & Cemetery Funds)	
MTD Income received:	\$2,270.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00
YTD Income received:	\$13,471.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$1,622.17
Grounds maint. transferred to budget:	\$4,738.00

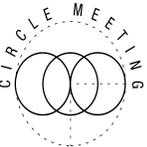
- ### Our Homebound/Retirement Members
- Harold Galloway, at his home
  - Louisa Frazier, at her home
  - Laura Latimer, Morningside, Camden
  - Naomi McCutchen, at her home
  - Jac Olmert, Woodlands, Greenville
  - Bruce Rogers, at his home
  - Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
  - George Swearingen, CottonWood Villa
  - Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
  - Dot Wilson, at her home



The congregation offers the Spirit of Consolation to those who recently lost family members. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

**John Reames II**  
**Jeannie Alexander**

*For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I will help you."* Isaiah 41:13 (RSV)



**Circle Hostesses for January**

**Night (16th) ..... Marsha McCutchen**

**Morning (17th) ..... Jackie Drayton in FH**

**Afternoon (17th) ..... Jean Woodmansee**

## HOME COMING - OCTOBER 14, 2012

Suggestions are being accepted for a Preacher/Speaker. Please contact a member of the Worship committee with your suggestion - BJ Kerr, Renee Bell, Nick West, Matt or Betsy Bramlett. Thanks!



**Men of the Church**  
**January 18th**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Hosts: William & Steven Welsh**



## Pouring Out What God Is Pouring In

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Please support us with your prayers and if your heart is moved to help financially, please make your tax deductible check payable to:

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**Marked: "Kids for Christ Mission"**



### LCCM January Collection ~ Grits ~

Don't forget to bring canned items to Church on Sunday,  
January 1st for our special monthly Altar collection



### "Souper" Bowl Sunday February 5th

Please support our community by dropping a dollar in the soup pot before leaving service on February 5th. More than 20 years ago, \$81+ million has been raised, during *Super bowl* Sunday. Our collection will help fund the Lee County Cooperative Ministry.



**PW Cookbooks** should be available by Homecoming. Please submit recipes to your Circle Chair, Tricia Latimer or the Church office (email).



*Thank you to everyone for all the gifts and remembrances this Christmas season! I also appreciate everything that you do for me throughout the year. This has always been the best fit for me "workwise" and the people have always been the best to not only work with but just to be with!*  
Love, Gwen

*Thank you, the congregation and Session, for your gifts, generosity, and love. It is a joy to serve the Lord together with you. The Lord has used you to bless us. Love in Christ, Ken and Tina*

*Christmas is such a wonderful time of the year. I love the music & decorations, but the best thing about Christmas is being with your family and friends and sharing the joy of the happiest season of all. Thank you for your many gifts and joys. I pray that God will hold each of you in the palm of His hand. "Happy New Year" - Louise*

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### *February At A Glance*

**5th: Souper Bowl of Caring offering & canned food collection**  
**7th: Adult Fellowship "Valentine Luncheon" @ Mr. B's**  
**12th: Session, Spaghetti Supper**  
**15th: Men of the Church**  
**18th: Kids for Christ bakesale**  
**19th: PWCT**  
**20th: Night Circle**  
**21st: Morning & Afternoon Circles**  
**22nd: Lenten lunches begin @ BUMC**  
**25th: Stated Presbytery meets @ BPC**



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# *BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*

*EOC: \*Judith Watkins & Tyson Eckley*

## *Calendar of Events*

- Thursday, 2nd:** Groundhog Day
- Sunday, 5th:** 5th Sunday after Epiphany  
Altar Food collection, & “Souper” bowl offering  
Coffee: Beth & Dick McCutchen  
Flowers: Cindy Welsh
- Tuesday, 7th:** 11:15 a.m. Adult Fellowship leaves for Mr. B’s
- Sunday, 12th:** 6th Sunday after Epiphany  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session meeting  
6:00 p.m. Congregation “Spaghetti Supper”  
Coffee: Renee & Crues Bell  
Flowers: Ann & Nick West
- Wednesday, 15th:** 7:00 p.m. Men of Church (Dick & Perry McCutchen)
- Saturday, 18th:** 9:00 a.m. Kids for Christ bakesale @ Equip. Auction
- Sunday, 19th:** Transfiguration of the Lord  
9:00 a.m. PWCT meeting  
Coffee: Liz & Billy Simon  
Flowers: Marilyn & Jerry Adams
- Monday, 20th:** 7:00 p.m. Night Circle (Betsy Bramlett)
- Tuesday, 21st:** 10:00 a.m. Morning Circle (Martha Kay Hunt)  
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle (Liz Simon in FH)
- Wednesday, 22nd:** 12:00 p.m. Lenten lunches begin @ BUMC
- Saturday, 25th:** Stated Presbytery Meeting in BPC Sanctuary  
9:00 a.m. Registration  
9:30 a.m. Meeting  
12:00 p.m. Lunch (\$7.00 per person)
- Sunday, 26th:** 1st Sunday in Lent  
Coffee: Young Adult Sunday School Class  
Flowers: Doris & John Bell
- Wednesday, 29th:** 12:00 p.m. Lenten lunch @ BUMC



LCCM February Collection  
~ Canned Soups ~

Don't forget to bring canned items to Church on Sunday, February 5th for our special monthly Altar collection



Will you be my valentine? It is the proverbial question asked on Valentine's Day, February 14th. For some school kids, it is with much fear and anxiety that they ask the question. They know the answer they want to hear but worry that they may be rejected instead of accepted. This same attitude may carry over later in life as people think about God. They want to be accepted and want to go to heaven, but they fear that they may be rejected for not being "good enough." As we learned from our experience going through the 40 Days of Purpose, it is not about us. There is nothing you can do to make God love you one bit more or one bit less. He loves you perfectly. His greatest desire is for you to love Him and enjoy Him forever. He has proven His love in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. We can put our guard down. We can experience His love and acceptance. In Christ, we are children of God; part of His family. His answer is, "Yes! I'll be your Valentine!" "Will you be mine?" Without fear, without anxiety, let our answer be, "YES!!!"

*Love in Christ, Ken*



**Church Spaghetti Supper  
February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m.**

The Church will provide the meal and the children will serve it. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you plan to attend, so we will have enough food.

**Annual Community Lenten Lunches  
& Meditation**

**Bethlehem United Methodist Church  
Wednesday's @ 12:00 noon  
February 22nd - March 28th**

Everyone is invited to attend and invite a friend  
A love offering will be accepted., each week. All  
money will help fund mission work

**Happy Birthday  
March**



**February**

Kayla McCutchen	1
Laura Latimer	4
Harry Woodmansee	4
Tina Hicks	5
Lee Hunt	9
Hampton Gaskins	15
Martha Kay Hunt	15
Benny Welch III	15
Patrick Finethy	17
Bubba Muldrow	20
Rev. Ewell Black	21
Naomi McCutchen	21
Myers Varn	21
Shirley Wallace	28

Graham Couch	2
Bo Simon	2
Louise McCutchen	3
Carol L. Finethy	4
Emmett Kerr	5
Katie Ellen	7
Bill Gaskins	8
William Corbett	9
Izzie Bailey	10
Lena McCutchen	10
Meredith Gaskins	12
Emmie McCutchen	19
Billy McCutchen	20
Tyson Eckley	22
Louis Shirley	22
Bruce Rogers	23
Peyton Welch	27
Carl Frazier	29
Cindy Welsh	29
Bill Tindal, Jr.	30
Lian Folsom	31

**February**

**Greeter's**

**March**

5th Jimmy McCutchen		4th Cameron & Jill
12th Kayla McCutchen		11th Steve Monroe
19th Marsha McCutchen	<b>Welcome!</b>	18th Dawn & Caroline
26th Perry McCutchen		25th Hughey Tindal

**February**

**Helping Hands**

**March**

5th: Caroline Welch		4th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett
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**Bell Ringer's**

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**Groundhog Day  
February 2nd**

Let's hope he doesn't see his shadow!!!

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With January being the first time that the Class of 2014 officially met with the Session, we spent most of our meeting formulating committees and committee assignments. Each committee is reviewing their job descriptions to see if any revisions are needed.

Following the guidelines for nominating Elders, the Session has elected Renee Bell, Chair and John "T-Bo" Ellen, Co-Chair of the Nominating Committee for electing the Class of 2015. Other committee members will be selected during the month of February.

The Session wishes to thank Katherine Welch for volunteering to write notes to the people placed on the prayer list.

The preparation process for hosting the Presbytery meeting, at our Church, on February 25th is well underway. Volunteers will be needed. Please consider this request if asked.

Missy Kirven is serving as our Nursery Director. She is currently seeking volunteers to serve on a rotating basis. Please consider helping, if possible.

If I can be of any help, please don't hesitate to call (428-6322).

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

**Next Stated Session Meeting is February 12th @ 8:00 a.m.**

### OFFICER DUTIES FOR FEBRUARY

**Tyson Eckley & \*Judith Watkins**

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**Presbytery Meeting**  
**Saturday, February 25th**  
**Bishopville PC**  
**Registration: 9:00 a.m.**  
**Meeting: 9:30 a.m.**  
**Lunch: 12:00 noon (\$7 pp)**

### Adult Fellowship

**Annual "Valentine" luncheon**  
**Tuesday, February 7th @ 12:00 noon**

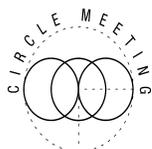
**Mr. B's**

If you plan to attend and wish to carpool, please meet in the Church parking lot. We plan to leave by 11:15



**Men of the Church**  
**February 15th**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Hosts: Dick & Perry McCutchen**



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MTD Income received:	\$9,555.50
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$9,181.33
YTD Income received:	\$9,555.50
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$9,181.33
<b>Budgeted YTD Income:</b>	<b>\$12,090.00</b>
<b>Budgeted YTD Expenses:</b>	<b>\$9,916.00</b>

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MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00
YTD Income received:	\$325.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00



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### Our Homebound/Retirement Members

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- Louisa Frazier, at her home
- Laura Latimer, Morningside, Camden
- Naomi McCutchen, at her home
- Jac Olmert, Woodlands, Greenville
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### In Loving Memory

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**Charles Farmer**

**Ewart Easterling, Jr.**

**Betty Truesdale**



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**Marked: "Kids for Christ Mission"**



**The Kids for Christ** will have a bake sale on **Saturday, February 18th**, beginning @ 9:00 a.m. at the Equipment Auction on highway 15, across from McDonald's, in Bishopville. Please have all donations in the Church kitchen by 8:00 that morning. For more info, please call Wendy Welch.



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### Presbyterian College Choir 2012 Spring Tour

John Calvin Presbyterian Church (1st stop)  
Wednesday February 29<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.  
Please come for a night of musical excellence

The **MYF Youth, ages 13-18**, extends an invitation to all youth to meet with them each Sunday @ 5:30 p.m. at Bethlehem United Methodist Church. They have several upcoming events, including a concert in Florence on February 9th to see "Casting Crowns". For more info, please contact Lauren Corry @ 910.367.8364.



*Thank you to everyone, especially the children, for coming to my home and singing Christmas carols. I really enjoyed seeing everyone and I really loved the music.  
Thanks for sharing, Marion Tisdale*

*Please accept our heartfelt thanks for all you have done for our family. The kindnesses shown to us have been amazing. Your prayers, cards, gifts, phone calls and food sent over has been overwhelming. It has been a scary time for us, but all of this and faith in our good Lord has given us strength and endurance. Neecie received a good report in January. She will have another scan in February, so please continue to keep us in your prayers. Sincerely with much love, Renee Bell*

# The Scroll

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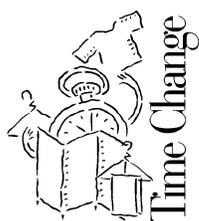


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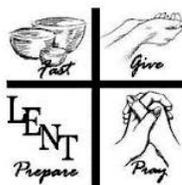
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### March At A Glance

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| <b>4th:</b> Canned food collection       | <b>20th:</b> Morning & Afternoon Circles   |
| <b>6th:</b> Adult Fellowship             | <b>21st:</b> Lenten lunch @ BUMC           |
| <b>7th:</b> Lenten lunch @ BUMC          | Men of the Church                          |
| <b>11th:</b> Daylight Saving Time begins | <b>22nd:</b> Church Office closed          |
| Session meets                            | <b>25th:</b> Family Night (Ashley Latimer) |
| <b>14th:</b> Lenten lunch @ BUMC         | <b>28th:</b> Presbyterian Comm. Mtg        |
| <b>18th:</b> PWCT                        | Lenten lunch @ BUMC                        |
| <b>19th:</b> Night Circle                |  |



March 11th  
 2:00 am  
 Don't forget to  
 Spring forward  
 an hour!



**Sunday Service Schedule**  
 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship & Coffee Hour - 10:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

**Thursday Schedule**  
 Adult Choir - 6:00 p.m.

**Church Office Hours**  
 9:00 am - 3:00 pm (Monday - Thursday)  
 Rev. Kenneth M. Hicks, Stated Supply Pastor

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 Richard P. "Dick" McCutchen, Church Clerk  
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# March 2012



# **BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

*EOC: \*BJ Kerr & T-Bo Ellen*

## **Calendar of Events**

- Sunday, 4th:** 2nd Sunday in Lent  
Altar Food collection  
Coffee: Jennifer & Perry McCutchen  
Flowers: Renee & Crues Bell
- Tuesday, 6th:** 12:00 p.m. Adult Fellowship
- Wednesday, 7th:** 12:00 p.m. Lenten lunch @ BUMC
- Sunday, 11th:** 3rd Sunday in Lent  
2:00 a.m. Daylight Saving Time begins  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session meeting  
Coffee: Young-Young Adult SS Class  
Flowers: Peggy & Allen Corbett
- Wednesday, 14th:** 12:00 p.m. Lenten lunch @ BUMC
- Sunday, 18th:** 4th Sunday in Lent  
9:00 a.m. PWCT meeting  
Coffee: Marsha & Jimmy McCutchen  
Flowers: Kim & Aaron Easters
- Monday, 19th:** 7:00 p.m. Night Circle (Diane McElveen)
- Tuesday, 20th:** 10:00 a.m. Morning Circle (Isabelle McCutchen)  
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle (Marilyn Adams)
- Wednesday, 21st:** 12:00 p.m. Lenten lunch @ BUMC  
7:00 p.m. Men of Church (Nick West & John Bell)
- Thursday, 22nd:** Church Office closed
- Sunday, 25th:** 5th Sunday in Lent  
Coffee: Iris Thomas & Jackie Drayton  
Flowers: Dot Cothran  
6:00 p.m. Family Night Supper (Ashley Latimer-Camp Pee Dee)
- Wednesday, 28th:** 12:00 p.m. Last Lenten lunch @ BUMC



LCCM March Collection  
~ Rice ~

Don't forget your canned items on Sunday, March 4th for our monthly Altar collection





I want to share some additional thoughts on worship that I didn't cover in a recent sermon. When we think of worship, we most often focus on being in church on Sunday morning. But there is a significant truth I want you to understand, in life it's not what you do that matters; it is Who you do it for. If you give all you do to God, then all of your work can be turned to worship. No matter what your vocation, you can do it for God. What are you good at doing? Do it for the Lord! What do you do each day? Do it for the Lord! That turns work into worship, and then you're worshipping God 24 hours a day. Not just in church. God doesn't want worship to just be a church thing. He wants it to be your whole life, to worship God with your life. People often give up something for Lent, as if refusing to eat chocolate or drinking caffeine for a few weeks is a spiritual triumph. What the Lord really wants is YOU!!! He wants you to know Him, worship Him, and love Him every moment of every day. What diverts your attention from the Lord? What distracts you from loving Him with all your heart? **THAT** is what you need to refrain from doing. The Lord would like nothing more than helping you make a change in your life that would result in you knowing Him better and loving Him a little bit more each day.

"Lord, do a new thing in and through each one of us, we pray. Amen!" - - *Love in Christ, Ken*

## Happy Birthday



Graham Couch	2	Richard Frazier	2
Bo Simon	2	Gwen Steinmeyer	2
Louise McCutchen	3	Kerry W. Frazier	3
Carol L. Finethy	4	Zach Scott	3
Emmett Kerr	5	Dot Cothran	4
Katie Ellen	7	Kathryn Welch	4
Bill Gaskins	8	Ollie Broadway	6
William Corbett	9	Belle S. Branham	10
Isabelle Bailey	10	Renee Bell	13
Lena McCutchen	10	Doris Bell	14
Meredith Gaskins	12	Tyner Bramlett	20
Emmie McCutchen	19	Caroline McCutchen	20
Billy McCutchen	20	Susan L. Hilditch	23
Tyson Eckley	22	Ryan McCutchen	25
Louis Shirley	22	Sarah McCutchen	26
Bruce Rogers	23	Gregg McCutchen III	27
Peyton Welch	27		
Carl Frazier	29		
Cindy Welsh	29		
Bill Tindal, Jr.	30		
Lian Folsom	31		





**Annual Community Lenten Lunches & Meditation**  
**Bethlehem United Methodist Church**

**Wednesday's @ 12:00 noon**  
**February 22nd - March 28th**

Everyone is invited to attend and invite a friend  
A love offering will be accepted., each week. All money will help fund mission work

<u>March</u>	<u>Greeter's</u>	<u>April</u>
4th Cameron & Jill		1st Shirley Wallace
11th Steve Monroe		8th William Watkins
18th Dawn & Caroline		15th Caroline & Wendy
25th Hughey Tindal		22nd Kathryn Welch
		29th MaryAnna Welsh

<u>March</u>	<u>Helping Hands</u>	<u>April</u>
4th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett		1st Kayla & Caroline
11th Caroline Welch		8th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett
18th Conner Welch		15th: Caroline Welch
25th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch		22nd Conner Welch
		29th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch

<u>March</u>	<u>Bell Ringer's</u>	<u>April</u>
4th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett		1st Caroline Welch
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18th: Kayla & Caroline		15th Conner Welch
25th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch		22nd Kayla & Caroline
		29th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch



**Family Night Supper**  
**March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m.**  
**Covered-dish**

**Ashley Latimer** will be our guest speaker. We encourage everyone to attend, especially our youth, who may be interested in attending Camp Pee Dee this summer. Anyone who signs up for camp on the 25th will receive an additional \$10 discount. The MYF will also be attending, so please bring extras for our guests.

<u>Lenten Memory Verses</u>		
3/4	<i>So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others</i>	Romans 12:5
3/11	<i>Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus.</i>	Phil. 2:5
3/18	<i>Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others.</i>	1 Peter 4:10
3/25	<i>Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity.</i>	Colossians 4:5

### News from the Session...

The Session met on February 12th. We received 2 transfer requests: Ryon Watkins to Florence PC & Mary Cousar to Bethlehem UMC and a notification that Jane Clyburn has joined Bethesda PC. We are sad to have them leave our Church, but wish them well at their new Church homes. Judith Watkins reported that she and Billy Clyburn audited the Church's financial records and found everything in proper order. Billy has been invited to the April Session meeting to report on the Church's investment accounts. Each Committee is in the process of updating their committee responsibilities. The Ad. Min. Committee is processing a procedure to project the cost of ongoing maintenance and capital improvements to our facilities, which may involve creating a Capital Fund Campaign. The Session has asked Meredith Gaskins to shadow Gwen Steinmeyer and Gregg McCutchen III to shadow Billy Clyburn, in case something unexpected occurs. BJ Kerr and the Worship committee is commended for all their hard work with the Winter Presbytery meeting, held at our Church on February 25th. BJ reported that plans are well underway for Easter & Homecoming. The Christian Ed. Committee stated that the Young Adult Class has started a "Beth Moore" Bible study. The Witness Committee stated that the Kids for Christ bakesale was a huge success and that they may look into a possible adult mission trip. If I can be of any help, please don't hesitate to call (428-6322).

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session  
**Next Stated Session Meeting is March 11th @ 8:00 a.m.**

### OFFICER DUTIES FOR MARCH T-Bo Ellen & \*BJ Kerr

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### Elders for Class of 2015

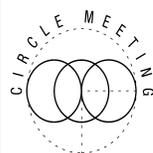
Nomination's are being received throughout the month of March for Elders, Class of 2015. Ballots are being sent to all active members. You may nominate up to 4 members from the eligibility list that you receive. Please give nominations to one of the members of the nominating committee or the church office. **Nominations are due no later than March 29th** Please prayerfully consider the person (s) that you nominate.

#### 2012 Nominating Committee

- |                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Renee Bell, Chair    | Wendy Welch      |
| T-Bo Ellen, Co-Chair | Margery Jeffords |
| Steve Monroe         | Ricky McCutchen  |
| Tricia Latimer       |                  |

**Adult Fellowship**  
**Tuesday, March 6th @ 12:00 noon**  
**Fellowship Hall**  
**Please make plans to join us!**

**Men of the Church**  
**March 21st**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Hosts: Nick West & John Bell**



**Circle Hostesses for March**  
**Night (19th) ..... Diane McElveen**  
**Morning (20th) ..... Isabelle McCutchen**  
**Afternoon (20th) ..... Marilyn Adams**

### Statistics

#### Month of February, 2012

Average Attendance: SS - 36, Worship - 68

#### Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)

MTD Income received:	\$11,789.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$35,684.26
YTD Income received:	\$21,344.50
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$44,844.72
<b>Budgeted YTD Income:</b>	<b>\$24,180.00</b>
<b>Budgeted YTD Expenses:</b>	<b>\$19,432.00</b>

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

MTD Income received:	\$300.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00
YTD Income received:	\$625.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00



**We have an open date on the Coffee Hour schedule. If anyone is interested in hosting on September 9<sup>th</sup>, please contact the Church office.**

**Church Office closed: Thursday, March 22nd**



**PW Cookbooks** should be available by Homecoming. Please submit your recipes to your Circle Chair, Tricia Latimer or the Church office (email). There is also a drop box in the FH.

### Our Homebound/Retirement Members

- Harold Galloway, at his home
- Louisa Frazier, at her home
- Laura Latimer, Morningside, Camden
- Naomi McCutchen, at her home
- Jac Olmert, Woodlands, Greenville
- Bruce Rogers, at his home
- Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
- George Swearingen, CottonWood Villa
- Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
- Dot Wilson, at her home

#### In Loving Memory



The congregation offers the Spirit of Consolation to those who recently lost family members. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

**Ruth Jane Jordan Corbett**  
**Ruth Farmer Capell**  
**David "Fuzz" Copeland**

*For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I will help you."* Isaiah 41:13 (RSV)



## Pouring Out What God Is Pouring In

**Kids for Christ** mission programs at Bishopville Presbyterian have grown out of our love for Jesus Christ and our desire to help those in need both internationally and in the US. We range in ages 5-14.

Our goal this year was to raise \$10,000 to continue mission programs, but then the tsunami in Japan and the devastating tornadoes in America hit. We aim to exceed our initial goal of \$10,000 and broaden our fundraising to help the Japanese people and also purchase Gifts of the Heart Kits for American families devastated by natural disasters. Funds will purchase kits such as **Clean-Up Buckets** (5 gal. buckets of cleaning solution, work gloves, scrub brushes, dust masks, trash bags, etc.), **Health Kits** (soap, towels, hair brushes, Band-Aids, tooth brushes, toothpaste, etc.), **Baby Kits** (diapers, gowns, sleepers, blankets, etc.), **School Kits** (pencils, notebooks, scissors, glue sticks, crayons, etc.) and **Teen Kits** (music, posters, hand-held games, snacks, etc...).

Please help support us with your prayers and if your heart is moved to help financially, please make your tax deductible check payable to:

**Bishopville Presbyterian Church**  
P.O. Box 66 Bishopville, SC 29010  
Marked: "Kids for Christ Mission"



**Vacation Bible School** July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>  
Volunteers needed

Please contact Meredith Gaskins if you can help @ 803.484.4021. Time: TBD



**Annual Easter Egg Hunt**  
April 7th @ 10:30 a.m.  
Bishopville PC

Each child should bring 6 candy filled eggs and each family should bring chips, cookies or a dessert. Lunch provided by Church. In case of inclement weather, hunt will be cancelled

The MYF Youth, ages 13-18, extends an invitation to all youth to meet with them each Sunday @ 5:30 p.m. at Bethlehem United Methodist Church. For more info, please contact Lauren Corry @ 910.367.8364.

To receive an enewsletter, ebulletin, enews, or email, please email the church at [bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net](mailto:bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net). Printed bulletins and newsletters are available, upon request. Please contact the Church office or an Elder for printed

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Karl "Tiny" Alexander Memorial Golf Tournament: March 10<sup>th</sup>** at Fox Creek golf course. Details & flyers are on bulletin board, by Church office.



Thank you to all at BPC who generously brought food & flowers while Ann was slowly gaining her strength. We appreciate the hospital visits, phone calls, and visits to our home. Ann is gradually getting better. She will be in physical therapy for 6 -10 weeks. We do continue to covet your prayers as she begins the healing process. ~ Ann and Nick West

On behalf of the Worship Committee of our Session, I want to thank each and everyone who helped with the planning and success of the Stated Winter Presbytery meeting at our Church on Saturday, February 25th. Many helped with the cleaning of the buildings, arranging tables and chairs, serving meals, furnishing Sanctuary flowers, serving communion, singing in the choir, parking cars, selling lunch tickets and cleaning the Fellowship Hall afterwards. Please accept my heartfelt thanks and love. As I have said so many times in the past, this congregation is so special and I have always been able to count on all asked to do more than their fair share of the work. I feel that the day went really well. Again, thank you – BJ Kerr

Manning Bramlett Lloyd and about 30 other students from the MUSC College of Dental Medicine will travel to Ecuador on March 10 for a week long dental mission trip. They will be supervised by about 10 dentists and a number of nurses and support staff. They will provide much needed dental treatments along with the opportunity to spread the gospel to many people in this poor country. The coordinators of this trip take a group of interested students each year. They receive invaluable experience in dental procedures as well as the opportunity to share their faith. They have requested our prayers for safe travel as well as for God's blessings on each life that they touch during this trip.

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### *April At A Glance*

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| <b>1st:</b> Canned food collection & Palm Sunday           | <b>8th:</b> Easter Sunrise & Breakfast<br>One Great Hour offering |
| <b>3rd:</b> Adult Fellowship outing                        | <b>15th:</b> PWCT/Tom Kellam in pulpit                            |
| <b>5th:</b> Church office closed<br>Maundy Communion @ BPC | <b>16th:</b> Night Circle   |
| <b>6th:</b> Good Friday service @ BUMC                     | <b>17th:</b> Morning & Afternoon Circles                          |
| <b>7th:</b> Easter Egg Hunt @ BPC                          | <b>18th:</b> Men of the Church                                    |
|  | <b>29th:</b> Special Family Night Supper                          |

### Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship & Coffee Hour - 10:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

### Thursday Schedule

Adult Choir - 6:00 p.m.

### Church Office Hours

9:00 am - 5:00 pm (Mon., Tues., & Thurs.)  
 Rev. Kenneth M. Hicks, Stated Supply Pastor

### Key Officer's and Staff

Richard P. "Dick" McCutchen, Church Clerk  
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 Gwen Hayden Steinmeyer, Office Manager



Happy  
**EASTER**



# APRIL



FROM THE  
**CHURCH  
 OFFICE**

**New Church Office Hours**  
**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday**  
**9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**  
 Unless otherwise noted



# *BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*

*EOC: \*Dick McCutchen & Carl Frazier*

## *Calendar of Events*

- Sunday, 1st:** Palm Sunday (Holy Week begins)  
Altar Food collection  
Coffee: BPC Night Circle  
Flowers: Bert Cousar
- Tuesday, 3rd:** Adult Fellowship Outing @ Top Hat in Florence
- Thursday, 5th:** Church Office closed  
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion @ BPC
- Friday, 6th:** 7:00 p.m. Good Friday service @ BUMC
- Saturday, 7th:** 10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt @ BPC
- Sunday, 8th:** Easter Sunday - One Great Hour of Sharing offering  
7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise service & breakfast @ BPC  
Coffee: Edie & Jeff Varn  
Flowers: Tyson Eckley
- Sunday, 15th:** 2nd Sunday of Easter  
9:00 a.m. PWCT meeting  
Ken out of pulpit. Tom Kellam in pulpit  
Coffee: Judith & William Watkins  
Flowers: Isabelle McCutchen
- Monday, 16th:** 7:00 p.m. Night Circle (Tricia Latimer)
- Tuesday, 17th:** 10:00 a.m. Morning Circle (Louise McCutchen)  
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle (BJ Kerr)
- Wednesday, 18th:** 7:00 p.m. Men of Church (Host needed)
- Sunday, 22nd:** 3rd Sunday of Easter  
Coffee: Diane & Jill McElveen  
Flowers: Meredith & Bill Gaskins
- Sunday, 29th:** 4th Sunday of Easter  
Coffee: Meredith Gaskins & Missy Kirven  
Flowers: Family of Rob McCutchen, Jr.  
6:00 p.m. Special Family Night covered-dish supper



LCCM April Collection  
~ Canned Meat ~

Don't forget your canned items on Sunday, April 1st for our monthly Altar collection





The services of this next week will highlight the most essential foundations of our Christian faith. We are lost sinners who sing out the Lord's praise at one moment and cry out His rejection the next. Powerless to save ourselves and being dead in trespasses and sin, Christ sacrificed himself on the cross to pay the price for our sin. The sinless Lamb of

God was slain to take away the sin of the world. The miracle is that He not only died to free us from the guilt of sin, but He rose from the dead on the third day. Because He lives, we live. Because He now reigns in heaven with the Father, we now have life abundant and life eternal in Him. It is not our doing. It is not in any sense because of us. Even the faith to trust in Him is a gift from God. All we can do is say, "Thank You, Lord!" Easter is God's supreme statement that we are loved. For God loved us so much that He gave us His only Son, that whoever believes in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life! - - *Love in Christ, Ken*

### April Sermons

- 4/1 **Do You Know Who He Is?** Mark 11:1-11
- 4/5 **Maundy: People Need the Lord!** Matt 11:28-30
- 4/8 **Sunrise: Can You Believe It?** Mark 16: 9-13  
**Morning: Victory!** Mark 16: 1-8
- 4/15 **Tom Kellam in pulpit**
- 4/22 **Live in Righteousness** I John 3:1-7
- 4/29 **Christ Alone** Acts 4:5-12

## Happy Birthday



- Richard Frazier 2
- Gwen Steinmeyer 2
- Kerry W. Frazier 3
- Zach Scott 3
- Dot Cothran 4
- Kathryn Welch 4
- Ollie Broadway 6
- Belle S. Branham 10
- Renee Bell 13
- Doris Bell 14
- Tyner Bramlett 20
- Caroline McCutchen 20
- Susan L. Hilditch 23
- Ryan McCutchen 25
- Sarah McCutchen 26
- Gregg McCutchen III 27

- Madison Bramlett 7
- Zeke Gaskins 7
- Hank Welch 8
- Doc Stuckey 9
- Jimmy McCutchen 13
- Iris Thomas 13
- Terri Ann Tindal 13
- Griff Buddin 14
- Lila Mae Welsh 14
- Beth McCutchen 17
- Jac Olmert 19
- Ricky McCutchen 23
- Chip Cothran 25
- Katherine Folsom 25
- Lauren Cothran 26
- Virginia Kerr 28
- Debbie Tindal 28
- Tim Kirven 31



### April Greeter's

- 1st Shirley Wallace
- 8th William Watkins
- 15th Caroline & Wendy
- 22nd Kathryn Welch
- 29th MaryAnna Welch

- 6th Steven Welsh
- 13th Ann West
- 20th Melinda Atkinson
- 27th Betsy Bramlett

### April Helping Hands

- 1st Kayla & Caroline
- 8th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett
- 15th: Caroline Welch
- 22nd Conner Welch
- 29th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch

- 6th Kayla & Caroline
- 13th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett
- 20th Caroline Welch
- 27th Conner Welch

### April Bell Ringer's

- 1st Caroline Welch
- 8th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett
- 15th Conner Welch
- 22nd Kayla & Caroline
- 29th Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch

- 6th Caroline Welch
- 13th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett
- 20th Conner Welch
- 27th: Kayla & Caroline

## Holy Week Events

### Palm Waving March: April 1<sup>st</sup>

Please meet in the Sanctuary @ 10:40 to practice. You may sing with the music or just march. All children are welcome to join - young or old!



### Maundy Communion Bishopville PC April 5th @ 7:00 p.m.

Fran Curtis will share a liturgical dance to the song, *People Need the Lord*  
Communion Elders: Nick West & T-Bo Ellen



### Good Friday Service Bethlehem UMC April 6th @ 7:00 p.m.



### Easter Sunrise & Breakfast Bishopville PC April 8th @ 7:00 a.m.

Bring flowers for the living cross



**OPEN HOUSE**  
April 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Lunch provided

Come enjoy all that camp has to offer.  
Remember the Church pays 1/2 tuition for members!

**News from the Session...**

The Session would like to thank everyone that helped in planning and hosting the meeting of New Harmony Presbytery at our Church in February. Many of our guests were quite complimentary and seemed to appreciate all of your efforts. The Session would like to encourage each of you to make plans to attend our Family Night Supper on April 29th. Some issues of concern in our Presbytery will be discussed. Our Church will be faced with some major decisions in the future and it is critical that our congregation be informed. Be reminded of the Easter services, beginning with Maundy Thursday communion on April 5th, followed by the Sunrise and Worship services on Easter Sunday. If I can be of any help, please don't hesitate to call (428-6322).

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

**Next Stated Session Meeting is May 13th @ 8:00 a.m.**

**OFFICER DUTIES FOR APRIL**  
**Carl Frazier & \*Dick McCutchen**

\* denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities



NOMINATIONS

**Elders for Class of 2015**

The Nominating Committee will meet in April to prepare a slate of 4 names for elders c/o 2015 for the May 20th Elder election.

**2012 Nominating Committee**

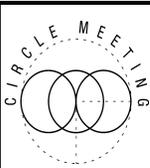
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| Renee Bell, Chair    | Wendy Welch      |
| T-Bo Ellen, Co-Chair | Margery Jeffords |
| Steve Monroe         | Ricky McCutchen  |
| Tricia Latimer       |                  |

**Adult Fellowship Outing**  
**Tuesday, April 3rd**

**We will travel to Top Hat in Florence, for lunch.** We would like to pool rides, so please meet at the Church so we can leave by 11:00 a.m.

**Men of the Church**  
**April 18th**  
**7:00 p.m.**

Hosts are needed for April & May. Please contact Jimmy McCutchen if interested in hosting.



**Circle Hostesses for April**  
 Night (16th) ..... Tricia Latimer  
 Morning (17th) Louise McCutchen @ Peggy's  
 Afternoon (17th) ..... BJ Kerr

**Family Night Supper**  
**Covered-dish**  
**April 29th @ 6:00 p.m.**

The Session will discuss concerns and issues of our Presbytery. Please make an effort to attend this important program!

**Statistics**

**Month of March, 2012**

Average Attendance: SS - 42, Worship - 72

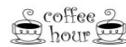
**Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)**

MTD Income received:	\$7,729.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$13,976.72
YTD Income received:	\$29,073.50
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$58,578.24
<b>Budgeted YTD Income:</b>	<b>\$36,270.00</b>
<b>Budgeted YTD Expenses:</b>	<b>\$34,195.00</b>

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 (Memorial, Building, & Cemetery Funds)

MTD Income received:	\$1,190.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$.00
YTD Income received:	\$1,815.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$.00

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**Church Office closed: Thursday, April 5th**

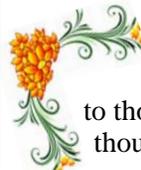


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### Annual Easter Egg Hunt April 7th @ 10:30 a.m. Bishopville PC

Each child should bring 6 candy filled eggs and each family should bring chips, dessert or drinks. Lunch provided by Church. In case of inclement weather, hunt will be cancelled

The MYF Youth, ages 13-18, extends an invitation to all youth to meet with them each Sunday @ 5:30 p.m. at Bethlehem United Methodist Church. For more info, please contact Lauren Corry @ 910.367.8364.

To receive an eNewsletter, ebulletin, enews, or email, please email the church at [bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net](mailto:bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net). Printed bulletins and newsletters are available, upon request. Please contact the Church office or an Elder for printed copies.

### Positive Thinking

An elderly lady looked in the mirror one morning. She had three remaining hairs on her head, and being a positive soul, she said, "I think I'll braid my hair today." So she braided her three hairs, and she had a great day.

Some days later, looking in the mirror one morning, preparing for her day, she saw that she had only two hairs remaining. "Hmm, two hairs... I fancy a centre parting today." She duly parted her two hairs, and as ever, she had a great day.

A week or so later, she saw that she had just one hair left on her head. "One hair huh...", she mused, "I know a pony-tail will be perfect." And again she had a great day.

The next morning she looked in the mirror. She was completely bald.

"Finally bald huh," she said to herself, "How wonderful! I won't have to waste time doing my hair any more."

Always look for the positive side in things. A positive outlook, more than positive events, makes a person much happier. So why hurt yourself and your sense of happiness by looking for what's wrong. It's much easier finding wrong than right – but what's the point?



*Thank You to everyone for all the visits, calls, prayers, food, and gifts of appreciation, while I have been recuperating from my recent surgery. I am so blessed to have each of you care for me so much.*  
Love, Elouise Wright

*"Thank You" for all the shoes that you donated for the Cuba Mission Team...that was awesome!*  
Darren Adams



Yesterday's high: 96°  
Last night's low: 71°  
March 20, 2012

Dear Prayer Partners:

It hardly seems possible that in a few short days we will be remembering the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. All churches here will be full every night during Holy Week. We pray that the true meaning of redemption might be clearly presented and that many may put their faith in Christ alone.

The Seminary choir going on a tour to Mexico City this weekend, and will present a cantata "What Great Love". The church choir which I accompany will also be going to churches in Cancún over Palm Sunday weekend. Here in Mexico we have 2 weeks of vacation (April 1-15), so the second week, following a wedding, we will be visiting some friends in Cozumel for R & R. We have had many weddings and baptisms since December, and also keep busy in the Seminary.

A grand birthday event was our granddaughter's 15<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration. This is a big observance in Latin America, second only to a wedding. The main purpose (for Christians) is a Thanksgiving service to the Lord for allowing the girl to have lived 15 years. Mark, our son, gave his daughter Ellie a blessing with a Hebrew prayer shawl and also a "purity ring", while our daughter-in-law presented her with a Bible.

Will and Nancy Ackles have been here with us the past month. Will comes every year to teach in February and March. We appreciate all their help and encouragement. He and Dave have conducted various services together, including the baptism and first birthday of Ema's daughter (Ema worked for me many years and graduated from college with a social work degree).

We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of our daughter Debbie March 22. She will be here 9 days, seeking employment opportunities. She has lined up some interviews with schools here.

On March 10 a work group from Trinity EPC (Detroit area) arrived to finish laying floor tiles in the library building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Due to the poor economy and the bad eye Mexico has in the news, it is hard to get a group together. However, 5 very committed folks have come; two are staying here at the house and the others at the Seminary. They know that this part of Mexico is very safe. There is a police presence, but they have done a good job at keeping violence out of Yucatan. We are very happy living here. Temperatures have been quite warm in the past few weeks (upper 90's), with lows around 70°. We are dreading April and May with its very hot (over 100°) temperatures.

Since Mexico has a holiday Monday March 19, our Camp committee decided to run a special 3-day camp over that weekend for 12-15 year olds. We expect around 50 young people there, some from village churches that Dave has been visiting. Thank you for your prayers for our camping ministry!

Rodolfo of Yalcobá, whom we mentioned in our last couple of letters, who had believed and then fallen a couple of time back into his drinking habit, has repented and asked forgiveness of the Lord and of the congregation. He hopes to be baptized and make public his profession of faith in the coming months. Continue to pray for him.

Health-wise, I have had some minor problems lately. In April I will have a cyst on my back removed, that has been bothering me. I have also had, because of my crooked spinal column, much muscular pain above the left hip area, and had to do bed rest for a while. But we are thankful there are no serious problems ... just some "molestias", as we say in Spanish.

We wish each of you a meaningful time of reflection during this Lent and Easter season. Rejoice: He is alive forevermore!

Your servants for Jesus' sake, Jean and Dave Legters

P.S. Any gifts to the Seminary, for Camp, or for our ministry may be sent to:

The Magi  
P.O. Box 43  
Byron Center, MI 49315

(Please add a note stating what it is for)

# The Scroll

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### *May At A Glance*

**1st:** Adult Fellowship  
**3rd:** National Day of Prayer  
**6th:** Canned food collection & UDC service (cemetery)  
**13th:** Mother's Day, Session, PWCT, Baccalaureate Sunday  
**14th:** Night Circle

**15th:** Morning & Afternoon Circles  
**16th:** Men of Church  
**17th:** Church office closed  
**20th:** Congregational Meeting (Elder election)  
**28th:** Church office closed (Memorial Day)



Happy   
 Mother's Day

**MAY**

### Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship & Coffee Hour - 10:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

### Thursday Schedule

Adult Choir - 6:00 p.m.

### Church Office Hours

9:00 am - 5:00 pm (Mon., Tues., & Thurs.)  
 Rev. Kenneth M. Hicks, Stated Supply Pastor

### Key Officer's and Staff

Richard P. "Dick" McCutchen, Church Clerk  
 Gregg McCutchen III, Assistant Clerk  
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# *BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*

*EOC: \*Gregg McCutchen & Meredith Gaskins*

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## *Calendar of Events*

- Tuesday, 1st:** 12:00 p.m. Adult Fellowship “Hotdog lunch” in FH
- Thursday, 3rd:** 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. National Day of Prayer (Sanctuary open)
- Sunday, 6th:** 5th Sunday of Easter / Monthly LCCM altar Food collection  
Coffee: Crues & Renee Bell  
Flowers: Betty Manning Heriot  
12:00 p.m. Confederate Memorial service in Cemetery
- Sunday, 13th:** 6th Sunday of Easter / Mother’s Day / Baccalaureate Sunday  
8:00 a.m. Session  
9:00 a.m. PWCT  
7:00 p.m. REL Baccalaureate Service @ BUMC  
Coffee: Margery, Doris, BJ, & Lila Mae  
Flowers: Tom English McCutchen
- Monday, 14th:** 7:00 p.m. Night Circle (Renee Bell)
- Tuesday, 15th:** 11:00 p.m. Morning Circle leaves for Hall’s Restaurant  
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle (Kathryn & Lian in FH)
- Wednesday, 16th:** 7:00 p.m. Men of the Church (Host Needed)
- Thursday, 17th:** Church Office closed (vacation)
- Friday, 18th:** 7:00 p.m. REL Graduation
- Sunday, 20th:** 7th Sunday of Easter  
Congregational Meeting: Elder election c/o 2015  
Coffee: Marsha & Jimmy McCutchen  
Flowers: Martha Kay & Leon Hunt
- Sunday, 27th:** Day of Pentecost  
Coffee: Anna Welch & Lian Folsom  
Flowers: Cathcart Family
- Monday, 28th:** Memorial Day - Church Office closed



LCCM May Collection  
~ Canned Fruits ~

Don't forget your canned items on Sunday, May 6th for our monthly Altar collection





Our Session has been discussing issues in the PC (USA) for a number of months. At our last meeting, the Session decided that the congregation be given the opportunity to hear some of the issues and to share their thoughts. This took place Sunday, April 29th, at a Fellowship Supper. This information session is only the first of several that will be held. The Session wants to be sure that all

members are given the opportunity to understand the issues and ask questions before any formal decision is made. Maintaining unity and harmony in our church is a primary priority of the Session and your pastor. We are also committed to following the presbytery's policy in handling these matters.

Locally, McBee, Westminster –Florence, and Darlington are three churches in New Harmony Presbytery who have left our presbytery to go to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. The Session of First Florence has recommended leaving New Harmony to go to the ECO. (Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians) Their vote is scheduled for June 24.

An upcoming issue of note is that fourteen presbyteries have sent overtures or concurred with overtures sent to the 2012 General Assembly to allow same-sex marriage. Thirteen presbyteries have sent overtures or concurred with overtures to forbid same-sex marriage. Please pray for the Bishopville church, for our presbytery, and for our denomination. We need wisdom and discernment, as well as understanding and patience. The fervent prayer of the righteous avails much.

*Love in Christ, Ken*

### May Sermons

6th	<i>There is No Easy Way</i>	John 15:1-8
13th	<i>Things We Can Learn From a Mom</i>	Matt 20:20-23
20th	<i>We Shall Be Changed</i>	I Cor 15:51-58
27th	<i>The Church is Born</i>	Acts 2:1-21



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## Happy Birthday



<b>Madison Bramlett</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>William Welsh</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Zeke Gaskins</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Stephen Welch</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Hank Welch</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Rev. Ken Hicks</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Doc Stuckey</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Ray Drayton</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Jimmy McCutchen</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Cameron McElveen</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Iris Thomas</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Conner Welch</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Terri Ann Tindal</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Lacie McElveen</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Griff Buddin</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Jenny McCutchen</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Lila Mae Welsh</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Marsha McCutchen</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Beth McCutchen</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Kean Scott, Jr.</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Jac Olmert</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Hugh Tindal III</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Ricky McCutchen</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>Katherine Dickinson</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Chip Cothran</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Patrick Jeffords</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Katherine Folsom</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Patricia Latimer</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Lauren Cothran</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Liz Simon</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Virginia Kerr</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Trey Johnson</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Debbie Tindal</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Tallon Graham</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Tim Kirven</b>	<b>31</b>		



### May

### Greeter's

### June

6th	Steven Welsh	3rd	Matt Bramlett
13th	Ann West	10th	Bert Cousar
20th	Melinda Atkinson	17th	Ralph DesChamps
27th	Betsy Bramlett	24th	Aaron Easters



### May

### Helping Hands

### June

6th	Kayla & Caroline	3rd	Sidney Easters & Brooke Welch
13th	Anna Grace & Sara Abbett	10th	Kayla & Caroline
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### May

### Bell Ringer's

### June

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### May

### Nursery Volunteers

### June

6th	Meredith Gaskins	3rd	Judith Watkins
13th	Wendy Welch	10th	Cindy Welch
20th	Aaron Easters	17th	Meredith Gaskins
27th	Missy Kirven	24th	Wendy Welch

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**Normal hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday**  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**News from the Session...**

The Session did not meet for the month of April. If I can be of any help, please don't hesitate to call (428-6322).

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session  
**Next Stated Session Meeting is May 13th @ 8:00 a.m.**

**OFFICER DUTIES FOR MAY**  
**Meredith Gaskins & \*Gregg McCutchen**  
 \* denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities



**Elder Election for Class of 2015**  
**May 20th**  
**Congregational Meeting**

The following names have been submitted from the Elder Nominating Committee to represent the class of 2015 Elders.

- **Aaron Easters**
- **Matt Bramlett**
- **Jimmy McCutchen**
- **Steven Welsh**

The floor will be open for nominations, for any member of the congregation who discerns that God is calling another person to be elected, other than those nominated by the Nominating Committee. In the event that the number of nominees is 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.

**2012 Nominating Committee**

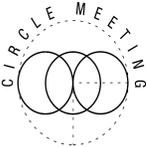
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| Renee Bell, Chair    | Wendy Welch      |
| T-Bo Ellen, Co-Chair | Margery Jeffords |
| Steve Monroe         | Ricky McCutchen  |
| Tricia Latimer       |                  |



**Adult Fellowship**  
**Tuesday, May 1st @ 12:00 noon**  
**Hotdog luncheon**

Hotdogs, buns & chili will be furnished. Please bring a complimentary dish. Salads, slaw, desserts, etc...

**Men of the Church**  
**May 16th**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Host needed. Please contact Jimmy McCutchen if interested in hosting.**



**Circle Hostesses for May**

**Night (14th) ..... Renee Bell**

**Morning (15th) ..... Spring Luncheon**  
 @ Halls Restaurant in Camden

**Meet @ Church to leave by 11 am, if pooling**

**Afternoon (15th) Kathryn Welch & Lian Folsom in FH**

**Statistics**

**Month of April, 2012**

Average Attendance: SS - 35, Worship - 51

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 coffee hour 

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Offering for SC Presbyterian Communities Resident Aid Endowment will be received on Mother's Day. No SC Presbyterian has ever been made to leave one of our homes due to inability to pay. Your generosity helps those whose resources have been exhausted. Please give generously!



**National Day of Prayer**  
**Thursday, May 3rd**  
**7:30 am – 6 p.m.**

Please sign up for a 20 minute period of prayer in our Sanctuary. You may come without registering, but we'd like commitments for the entire day. The roster is in the Fellowship Hall.



**Thank You to all the fallen heroes and all past and present service members, who unselfishly have given their lives and continue to put themselves in Harms Way in order that we can be FREE!**

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### Homecoming ~ October 14th

Mark your calendars and start inviting friends & family to join with us. The Worship Committee has a wonderful day & celebration in the works. Rev. Darren Adams, son of Marilyn & Jerry, will be our guest preacher and Hank Martin, child of the Church, will share his musical talents. Hank's father was our choir director for many years and his mother sang in our choir. Tricia Latimer has been busy organizing recipes for a BPC Cookbook. We are looking for new ideas to make this day special for all. If you have any ideas you would like to share, please contact a committee member. BJ Kerr, Renee Bell, Nick West, Matt or Betsy Bramlett. We covet your input.



## 2012 Graduates

### High School

**Madeline Sumner Varn**

Wilson Hall School, Sumter

May 31st

Plans to attend Clemson, this fall, majoring in Psychology

Daughter of Jeff & Edie Varn

Grand Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Gene Varn of Dillon

Grand Daughter of the late Mr. & Mrs. George Myers Stuckey, Jr.

Our Baccalaureate service will be May 13th, where our graduate will be presented a Study Bible.



*Thank You to everyone for all the birthday wishes and for my beautiful plant. ~ Love, Gwen Steinmeyer*

*Thank you for hosting us for "Family Night Supper". We enjoyed hearing about Camp Pee Dee and hope we can plan a youth retreat there in the future. Thank you for our delicious meal and fellowship.  
Sincerely, Lauren Corry & the BUMC MYF*

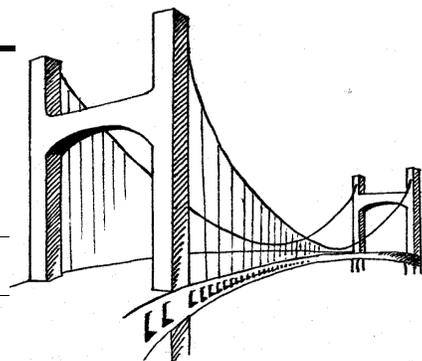
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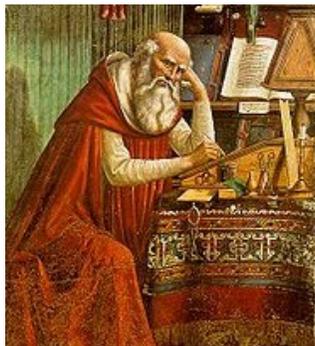
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David & Estelle Abernathy

April 2012



## *Creative approaches to Bible translation and distribution*



When we think of the history of Bible translation we might picture St. Jerome and his team of scholars working to translate the Scriptures into Latin in the late fourth century, or perhaps Cyril and Methodius in the eight century creating a Slavic alphabet for the sake of Bible translation among Slavic peoples. We might picture Martin Luther hiding in Wartburg Castle translating the New Testament into German, or perhaps Cameron Townsend in the early 20th century, when he began working among the Cakchiquel people of Guatemala. In one way or another, all of these were pioneers in their day, working in innovative ways to reach the unreached.

### **Bible translation for the deaf**

One of the more interesting Bible translation efforts going on today is for the approximately 20 million deaf people of the world, of which only about 2% are effectively reached with the gospel of Christ. This makes them one of the most unreached people groups in the world. It is estimated that there are anywhere from 250 to 400 sign languages in the world, only one of which, American sign language, has a written New Testament. Bible translation is now underway in about 50 sign languages. Translations for the deaf are usually on DVD with videotaped signers, though in some cases the video translation uses animation. This is the case particularly in places where, for security reasons, signers do not want their identity known.



Animated sign for 'usually' in American sign language (Amslang)

### **Online distribution**

Another way biblical texts are being distributed is through posting them online. This is especially useful in places where people have internet access but where, for political or religious reasons, Bibles may not be distributed openly. Various websites exist, and Scripture in various forms can be found there – MP3 audio portions, text, or even video clips.



### **Cell phones**

Bible texts are also being distributed through cell phone transmission. It is estimated that there are nearly 6 billion cell phone subscribers in the world today, which is around 87% of the world's population. The technology involved is changing and advancing at a dizzying rate, but missionaries are working to find ways to harness this technology to distribute translated Scripture portions. Now boundaries that would otherwise have been impassable are being crossed to reach people with the translated Scripture.

### **Where are they now?**

We occasionally have contact with some of the students we worked with in Kenya five and six years ago. Recently I corresponded with Peter Garang, who is an ordained minister in the Anglican Church of South Sudan. Peter is working as the regional coordinator for the African Leadership and Reconciliation Ministries, working to bring peace in war-torn regions of South Sudan. Unfortunately, his family is unable to be with him due to war and lack of educational opportunity in South Sudan, so they are in Nairobi, where he visits them three or four times a year.

Bethuel Kivuya ministers among the Kam and Idou pygmy peoples of eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo. He has been doing church planting and community development work, and his wife is involved in counseling, especially among women whose lives have been ravaged by warfare. They are earnestly hoping that a well project can begin among the pygmies, as many lives are lost due to the use of impure drinking water. Recently Bethuel and Noella have been in Sierra Leone, West Africa, training people for Christian ministry.



Peter (left) and Bethuel in South Sudan on a mission trip in 2007

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

### **We give thanks**

- That Michael has been accepted into the School of Music at Western Carolina University, which is where he always wanted to attend, and they have offered some scholarship assistance

### **Home address:**

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Waxhaw, NC 28173-7638  
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### **Please pray**

- For guidance for our future ministry
- For guidance (and a job) for Meredith, who graduates from UNC-Charlotte in a couple of months



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# The Scroll

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## ***Bishopville Presbyterian Church***

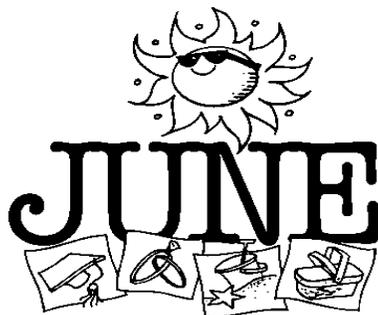
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### *June At A Glance*

- 2nd: Kid for Christ Yard Sale @ BPC**
- 3rd: Canned food collection (LCCM)**
- 10th: Ken out of pulpit (Leon/Matt)**
- 14th: Church office closed**
- 17th: Father's Day**
- 18th: Church office closed**
- 20th: 6:00 p.m. Admin. Committee meeting**
- June 23rd - 27th: Salkehatchie in Lee County**

## ***Salkehatchie***

BPC will feed 1 LC Salkehatchie team on June 24th  
& all teams on June 27th. Please help if asked!



### Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship & Coffee Hour - 10:30 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

### Thursday Schedule

Adult Choir - 6:00 p.m.

### Church Office Hours

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# BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EOC: \*Renee Bell & Nick West

## Calendar of Events

- Saturday, 2nd:** 7:00 a.m. Kids for Christ "Yard Sale" @ BPC
- Sunday, 3rd:** Trinity Sunday / Monthly LCCM altar Food collection  
Coffee: Tricia Latimer & Wendy Welch
- Sunday, 10th:** 2nd Sunday after Pentecost / Leon Hunt in pulpit  
Coffee: Kathryn Welch & Dawn Nesbit  
Flowers: Margery Jeffords
- Thursday, 14th:** Church Office closed (vacation)
- Sunday, 17th:** 3rd Sunday after Pentecost / Father's Day  
Coffee: T-Bo, Tyson, Steven  
Flowers: Dot Wilson
- Monday, 18th:** Church Office closed (vacation)
- Wednesday, 20th:** 6:00 p.m. Admin. Committee meeting
- Sunday, 24th:** 4th Sunday after Pentecost / Salkehatchie team @ Church  
Coffee: Betsy & Matt Bramlett  
Flowers: BJ & Gayle Kerr  
12:00 p.m. Salkehatchie team lunch
- Wednesday, 27th:** 12:00 p.m. BPC feeds all Salkehatchie teams



Dr. Leon Hunt will fill the pulpit on June 10th with Elder Matt Bramlett assisting. Dr. Hunt and several others will also share their testimonies. Please make an effort to be a part of this special service.

2012-2013 PW Officer/Chair positions to be filled: Moderator, Treasurer and Search (2 yr term) and Afternoon Circle (1 yr term). Please contact Kim Easters, Search Chair, if willing to serve



LCCM June Collection  
~ Canned Vegetables ~  
Don't forget your canned items Sunday, June 3rd for our monthly Altar collection





As the summer months are upon us, I have some recommendations for the use of your time. First, take time to make a memory with those you love. Go somewhere you have never been before. Do something fun. Talk about what you like and what inspires you.

Read a book you've never read. Reread one of your favorite books. Visit someone special. Make an ice cream sundae. Eat some watermelon. Do something special for someone you love, just because you can. Make a phone call and reconnect with an old friend. Volunteer to help at VBS or commit to participate each night. Bring a friend to church. Read the Gospel of John and ask the Lord to reveal some new insight. Stay safe, laugh, and pray often for our church, your family and friends, and for yourself. Have a wonderful summer!

*Love in Christ, Ken*

### June Sermons

3rd	<i>Salvation: It's a team Effort</i>	John 3:1-17
10th	Leon Hunt/Matt Bramlett	
17th	<i>Courageous Fathers</i>	Ephesians 6:1-4
24th	<i>Power Beyond Belief: But Believe Anyway</i>	Mark 4:35-41



### In Loving Memory

The congregation offers the Spirit of Consolation to those who recently lost family members.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

### Tic Hatfield

*For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I will help you." Isaiah 41:13 (RSV)*

### Our Homebound/Retirement Members

- Chip Cothran, at Mother's home
- Harold Galloway, at his home
- Louisa Frazier, at her home
- Laura Latimer, Morningside, Camden
- Naomi McCutchen, @ Karesh#241, KMC
- Jac Olmert, Woodlands, Greenville
- Bruce Rogers, at his home
- Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
- George Swearingen, CottonWood Villa
- Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
- Dot Wilson, at her home

**Church Office Closed: June 14th - 18th**

**Regular Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

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## Happy Birthday



<b>William Welsh</b>	2	<b>William McElveen</b>	5
<b>Stephen Welch</b>	6	<b>Nick West</b>	8
<b>Rev. Ken Hicks</b>	7	<b>Kim Easters</b>	11
<b>Ray Drayton</b>	8	<b>Betsy Bramlett</b>	12
<b>Cameron McElveen</b>	10	<b>Gregg McCutchen IV</b>	12
<b>Conner Welch</b>	13	<b>Robin Jeffords</b>	13
<b>Lacie McElveen</b>	14	<b>Steve Monroe</b>	13
<b>Jenny McCutchen</b>	15	<b>Avarie Easters</b>	14
<b>Marsha McCutchen</b>	16	<b>Bob Latimer</b>	14
<b>Kean Scott, Jr.</b>	16	<b>Allen Corbett</b>	15
<b>Hugh Tindal III</b>	16	<b>Isabelle McCutchen</b>	18
<b>Katherine Dickinson</b>	17	<b>George Swearingen</b>	20
<b>Patrick Jeffords</b>	23	<b>Ashley Latimer</b>	21
<b>Patricia Latimer</b>	25	<b>Libby Corbett</b>	26
<b>Liz Simon</b>	25	<b>Daphne Dickerson</b>	26
<b>Trey Johnson</b>	27	<b>Ralph DesChamps</b>	30
<b>Tallon Graham</b>	28	<b>William Watkins</b>	31

### June

### Greeter's

### July

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### Helping Hands

### July

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			29th	Conner Welch

### June

### Nursery Volunteers

### July

3rd	Judith Watkins	1st	Aaron Easters
10th	Cindy Welch	8th	Missy Kirven
17th	Meredith Gaskins	15th	Judith Watkins
24th	Wendy Welch	22nd	Cindy Welch
		29th	Meredith Gaskins

## News from the Session...

The Session is gathering information on denominational issues and concerns to allow our congregation to be informed of any measure or decision that is in the best interest of our members. No official action has been taken - We are simply studying the situation and will continue to study the situation keeping everyone aware of any information that we gather. We plan to more Family Night open discussions in the near future. Please attend as many of these meetings as you can, so we can share your thoughts and feedback with the Session.

The Session will not have a Stated meeting in June or July.

If I can be of help, please don't hesitate to call (428-6322).

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

**Next Stated Session Meeting is August 12th @ 8:00 a.m.**

### OFFICER DUTIES FOR JUNE

**\*Renee Bell & Nick West**

\* denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities



### C/O 2015 Elders Elect

- Aaron Easters
- Matt Bramlett
- Jimmy McCutchen
- Steven Welsh

Please keep all current & newly elected Elders in your prayers

**Vacation Bible School**  
**July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Please contact Meredith Gaskins if you can help @ 803.484.4021.

## Statistics

### Month of May, 2012

Average Attendance: SS - 34, Worship - 76

#### Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)

MTD Income received:	\$12,467.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$7,443.15
YTD Income received:	\$55,763.50
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$77,822.25
<b>Budgeted YTD Income:</b>	<b>\$60,450.00</b>
<b>Budgeted YTD Expenses:</b>	<b>\$55,580.00</b>

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

MTD Income received:	\$210.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$.00
YTD Income received:	\$2,850.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$.00



**Cookbooks** should be available by Homecoming. Please submit recipes to Tricia Latimer or the Church office. There is also a drop box in the FH.

### Homecoming ~ October 14th

The Worship Committee needs volunteers for various jobs to assist in HOMECOMING 2012. We need people in the kitchen, a clean up committee, several people to man the registration tables, nursery workers, greeters, and others to assist where needed. If you have any of these skills and are willing to help, please notify the Church office or BJ Kerr as soon as possible.

## Pouring Out What God Is Pouring In

**Kids for Christ** mission programs have grown out of our love for Jesus Christ and our desire to help those in need both internationally and in the US. We range in ages 5-14.

Our goal was to raise \$10,000 to continue mission programs, but the tsunami in Japan and the devastating tornadoes in America hit. We aim to exceed our goal & broaden fundraising to help the Japanese and purchase Gifts of the Heart Kits for American families.

Funds will purchase kits such as: **Clean-Up Buckets** (5 gal. buckets of cleaning solution, work gloves, scrub brushes, dust masks, trash bags, etc.), **Health Kits** (soap, towels, hairbrushes, Band-Aids, tooth brushes, toothpaste, etc.), **Baby Kits** (diapers, gowns, sleepers, blankets, etc.), **School Kits** (pencils, notebooks, scissors, glue sticks, crayons, etc.), **Teen Kits** (music, posters, hand-held games, snacks, etc...). Please help support us with your prayers and if your heart is moved to help financially, please make your tax deductible check payable to: **Bishopville PC**  
**P.O. Box 66, Bishopville, SC 29010**



**Thank You:** Ann fought a long illness and 3 surgeries for over five months. She's still in physical therapy and on antibiotics for staph infection. Our family was overwhelmed with our church family's prayer, food, cards, phone calls and visits. Your love made a difficult situation bearable. Ann and I want to thank our entire church for the care and love that was shown to us over the past five months. Thank you, Nick and Ann West

May 17, 2012  
Yesterday's high: 97°  
Last night's low: 74°



Dear Prayer Partners:

*"I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall continually be in my mouth ... oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together". (Ps 34:1,3)*

We thank the Lord for His protection and blessing over the many kilometers we travel each weekend. A new extension seminary opened in Cancún with 8 students. They alternate their classes between Cancún and Playa del Carmen, both cities being a 4-hour drive from Mérida. Dave taught an Old Testament Biblical Theology course on 4 consecutive Friday evenings. The classes are from 7 to 11 p.m. Then he got up at 5 a.m. in order to drive and arrive at his 9 a.m. Saturday class in Citilcum (near Izamal).

Recently we made a long weekend out of it and visited various villages out that way. Rodolfo, in Yalcobá, did not pass the test to make his profession of faith and baptism, because he fell to drinking one weekend. He will now have to wait 6 months to deepen his understanding and see if he can gain victory over his drinking problem. We wish you could have been with us on another night, for the outside service of renovation of wedding vows in Chemax with a couple who had had serious marital problems in the recent past. They served us a meal of chicken in a tasty broth with hand-made tortillas eaten under the trees, with huge beetles buzzing around our heads and landing in unwanted places.

The next day we visited the town of Señor in Quintana Roo, a village where Dave's Dad first took the gospel 65 years ago. Don Anastacio, an elderly man who is a moving force in the church there along with his family, received us graciously in his home. I talked with his wife doña Julia as she made the tortillas for our lunch on a griddle over an open fire in the thatched roof kitchen. She can understand Spanish but speaks only Maya. So while Dave was conversing in Maya with her husband, she and I had an interesting bi-lingual conversation, but we both understood each other! Her husband, who plays keyboard, accordion and guitar by ear, was so overcome with emotion while I played hymns on his keyboard, that he cried as he prayed, thanking the Lord for our visit. We return there this Saturday and hope to minister to them again.

On May 26 we will again be in Tabi, where Dave's Dad did much of the translation of the New Testament into Maya. Dave preached there back in March at an outdoor meeting of all the churches in the area: over 1,000 people attended. Afterwards we were all served "cochinita pibil" (pork roasted underground on hot coals) and hand-made tortillas with which to make our tacos. At the same service I was handed some music I had never seen and asked to accompany a choir. A man with his cell phone flashlight beamed the light on the music so I could see it. I didn't have to worry about the rhythm – the director didn't know too much either! I just played the notes and followed him. Debbie's fiancé went with us and helped as our chauffeur.

Debbie's job interviews went very well. With her bi-lingual abilities and administrative experience, she was wanted by all. She returns to Mérida June 2 and will decide where she will be teaching. She and Rolando plan a July 27 wedding. Our son Daniel and family will be coming, so hopefully we can get an updated family photo out to you. Johnny, Mark's 11 year old, will play the Canon in D on his guitar for them to march in. Thank you for your prayers for her.

Our Seminary graduation will be June 14. This year some 20 students will be graduating in theology and 8 in music. However, enrollment has been down the past couple of years due to the economic situation, so future graduating classes will be smaller. At present Dave is grading senior sermons, and I'm getting my students ready for the June 5 piano recital. We praise the Lord for all these students.

I was sick one weekend, very unusual for me, and was left with no energy. Some lab tests showed I had a hemoglobin count of 7 (normal is 15), so I'm having iron shots and vitamins, and feel much better. My macular degeneration due to an arthritis medicine is making driving almost impossible. I can read if I have good illumination, but I now fall into the "low vision" category. I should retain the vision I have, however.

Dave has received good medical reports, so we always thank the Lord for continuing to strengthen us as we serve Him. This July marks 45 years since we first came down here together. What an incredible life we have had! In September we will celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary here, with a musical concert of thanksgiving for the Lord's blessings. As a result, we will not be traveling to the States this year at all. Don't let up on your prayers!

We will miss seeing many of you, but you are in our thoughts and prayers. May the Lord richly bless you.

Your servants for Jesus' sake, Jean Legters (for Dave also)

P.S. Any gifts to the Seminary, for Camp, or for our ministry may be sent to: The Magi

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### *July At A Glance*

- 1st:** Dick McCutchen in Pulpit  
Canned food collection (LCCM)
- 4th - 9th:** Church office closed
- 8th:** Communion, Cents-Ability, covered-dish lunch
- 16th:** Joint Circle in Fellowship Hall (Speaker: Tina Hicks)
- 22nd - 25th:** Vacation Bible School @ BPC



*Service of  
Communion*



**2012**

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EOC: \*T-Bo Ellen & BJ Kerr

## Calendar of Events

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Dick McCutchen in pulpit  
Coffee: Cindy Welsh & Debbie Tindal  
Flowers: Missy & Tim Kirven
- Wed-Mon., 4th-9th:** Church office closed
- Sunday, 8th:** 6th Sunday after Pentecost / Communion, Cents-Ability  
12:00 p.m. covered-dish lunch in FH  
\*\*\*NO Coffee hour\*\*\*  
Flowers: Harriett Watson Family
- Sunday, 15th:** 7th Sunday after Pentecost  
Coffee: OPEN  
Flowers: Christine & Louis Shirley
- Monday, 16th:** 7:00 p.m. PW Joint Circle meeting in FH (Tina Hicks)
- Sunday, 22nd:** 8th Sunday after Pentecost  
Coffee: Beth & Dick McCutchen  
Flowers: Laura Latimer  
6:00 p.m. VBS begins @ BPC
- Wednesday, 25th:** 6:00 p.m. VBS ending Celebration @ Lee State Park
- Sunday, 29th:** 9th Sunday after Pentecost  
Coffee: Martha Kay & Leon Hunt  
Flowers: Tricia & John Latimer



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LCCM July Collection  
~ Cereal ~

Don't forget to bring canned items to Church on Sunday, July 1st  
for our monthly Altar collection





You have heard it said and you know it to be true that the most powerful thing a Christian can do is to pray. Prayer has the power to change events, situations, perceptions, and lives. I call everyone reading this article to pray fervently for our church and the families in our church, for our presbytery and the churches in our presbytery, and for our denomination. There are some difficult challenges facing us and the people we care about. There are some you may know about; there are more that you may not, but the Lord does. Let's pour on the prayer that the Lord will have His way in all these areas. Be a friend to those who are hurting and an encouragement to those in need. I also ask for your prayers for me as I attend the Christian Life Conference in North Carolina that the Lord will bless me and direct me as I plan my preaching and pastoral focus for the coming months. *Love in Christ, Ken*

**Elder, Dick McCutchen will fill the pulpit July 1st** with Elder, Perry McCutchen assisting and Ricky McCutchen teaching our children's sermon. Please come & be a part of this special service.



### *In Loving Memory*

The congregation offers the Spirit of Consolation to those who recently lost family members.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

- Fred Alexander Cromartie**
- Martha Brannon Gibson**
- William Dow Welsh**
- Harris Gatling**
- Marc Latimer**

*For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I will help you."* Isaiah 41:13 (RSV)

**William "Porkchop" Dow Welsh**  
6/2/1986 – 6/11/2012

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- Naomi McCutchen, @ McCoy rm #403
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- Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
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- Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
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**Christian Golfer's Association Tournament & Rally**  
**August 24th & 25th in Sumter**  
**Praise Rally: August 24th, from 6 - 8 p.m.**  
 Alice Drive Baptist Church (1305 Loring Mill Rd.)  
 BBQ, door prizes, & "Cedar Creek Quartet"  
**Tournament: August 25th @ Sunset Country Club**  
 8:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. shotgun start  
 Applications on Church bulletin board

## Happy Birthday



<b>William McElveen</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Caroline Jeffords</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Nick West</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Chloe Jeffords</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Kim Easters</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Billy Clyburn</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Betsy Bramlett</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Leila McCutchen</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Gregg McCutchen IV</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Edie Varn</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Robin Jeffords</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Mary Ellen Gaskins</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Steve Monroe</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Steven Frazier</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Avarie Easters</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Grayham Geddings</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Bob Latimer</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Matt Bramlett</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Allen Corbett</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Mary Cousar Laney</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Isabelle McCutchen</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Brian Hunt</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>George Swearingen</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Drew Buddin</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Ashley Latimer</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Jennifer Bailey</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Libby Corbett</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Lydia Conway</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Daphne Dickerson</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Sharon Elvis</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Ralph DesChamps</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Diane McElveen</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>William Watkins</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Sidney Easters</b>	<b>27</b>
		<b>Susan Farver</b>	<b>28</b>
		<b>Ryon Watkins</b>	<b>28</b>
		<b>Benji Harrington</b>	<b>30</b>
		<b>Sara Abbett Kirven</b>	<b>30</b>
		<b>Bette Stuckey</b>	<b>31</b>

### July

### Greeter's

### August

1st	OPEN		5th	Kirven Family
8th	Gardner Family		12th	Dawn Ievers
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22nd	Betty Heriot		26th	Jimmy McCutchen
29th	Leon Hunt			

### July

### Helping Hands

### August

1st	Conner Welch		5th	Conner Welch
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### July

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### August

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### July

### Nursery Volunteers

### August

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8th	Missy Kirven	12th	OPEN
15th	Judith Watkins	19th	Missy Kirven
22nd	Cindy Welch	26th	Judith Watkins
29th	Meredith Gaskins		

**News from the Session...**

The Session did not have a Stated meeting in June and will not have a Stated meeting in July. We did have a Called meeting on June 24th, to receive and approve bids from the Property committee on some much needed painting on the exterior woodwork of the Church.

Our prayers are extended to those members of our Church and community who are on our prayer list and especially to those who have lost loved ones.

We enjoyed hosting one of the Lee County Salkehatchie teams in worship on June 24th and were pleased to host all their teams for lunch on June 27th. We were fortunate to sponsor these 3 Church members in the Salkehatchie mission this year: Kayla McCutchen, Libby Corbett, and Griff Buddin.

On behalf of the Session, I would like to thank everyone for helping with this project. A special thanks goes to former member of our Church, Jimmy Stuckey, for his contribution to treat the group to a pizza dinner.

Over the next several months, our Church will be making some important decisions and I encourage each of you to pray as we seek God's guidance for our future.

I hope all of you have a safe and happy July 4th holiday!

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

**Next Stated Session Meeting is August 12th @ 8:00 a.m.**

**OFFICER DUTIES FOR JULY**

**\*T-Bo Ellen & BJ Kerr**

\* denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities

**Presbyterian Women Joint Circle**

**Monday, July 16th**

**7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**

Tina Hicks will be our Guest Speaker

**Vacation Bible School** July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>  
**6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Bishopville Presbyterian**

It's our turn to host Bible School this year. It will be at the Church, each evening, beginning Sunday, July 22nd and end with a celebration at Lee State Park on Wednesday, July 25th. Please plan to come!



**Homecoming ~ October 14th**

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*Please mark October 14th on your calendar and help us celebrate another milestone in the life of Bishopville PC!*

**Statistics**

**Month of June, 2012**

Average Attendance: SS - 37, Worship - 75

**Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)**

MTD Income received:	\$10,288.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$10,042.67
YTD Income received:	\$66,051.50
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$87,864.92
<b>Budgeted YTD Income:</b>	<b>\$72,540.00</b>
<b>Budgeted YTD Expenses:</b>	<b>\$72,770.00</b>

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

MTD Income received:	\$1,535.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$249.30
YTD Income received:	\$4,385.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$249.30

**No Men of Church, Session, Choir practice, Circles, Adult Fellowship, or Family Night in July.** We will have a covered-dish lunch on July 8th. The Church will provide Mr. B's chicken. Please bring a dish and join us after worship.

**Communion & Cents-Ability ~ July 8th**



Extended Communion is gladly served in the homes of those who can't attend. Please contact the Pastor or an Elder to arrange for extended services. The Cents-Ability offering will help fund the LCCM.

**NO Coffee Hour on July 8<sup>th</sup>** so we can prepare for the covered-dish luncheon after worship that day. The Church will provide Mr. B's chicken.

**2012-2013 PW Officer Installation is September 9th, during morning worship. The Afternoon Circle (1 yr term), still needs to be filled.** Please contact Renee Bell, if willing to serve.

Dear Prayer Partners:

This is just a quick note to bring you up-to-date, to thank the Lord with us for His many blessings, and to continue to pray for us.

Debbie arrived June 2 and found a job as English coordinator in a private grade school. She will be teaching 6<sup>th</sup> graders 10 hours a week, and doing some administrative work as well. The Lord is using many of her abilities! She and Rolando also found a small house to rent only 5 minutes from us, so both she and Mark will be nearby. July 27 is the date of the wedding, with Rolando's uncle preaching and Dave doing the marrying. Thank you for your prayers for her.

Seminary graduation was June 14. A heavy rainstorm caused it to be held in the library building instead of outside. Hundreds of people came, and were seated or standing in any space available. This year 20 students graduated with a theology degree, and 3 with a master's degree (a program started a few years back). Eight graduated from the music school. The senior recitals of the previous week were very good: 2 girls in choir direction, 2 young men as piano majors, one voice major and 3 in a new major of coordination of praise groups. We trust the Lord to direct each one to an area of service for Him. Dan Isaac, whom we help through you, has one more year to go. Tuition is now \$275 a month.

Saturday June 16 there was a united service for all the Presbyterian churches of the Peninsula (Yucatán, Campeche and Quintana Roo) held in Cancún. It was called to celebrate 140 years since the arrival of the gospel in Mexico and 65 years of the founding of the General Assembly of the National Church. Some 5,000 people attended, and we enjoyed seeing friends, alumni of the Seminary in music and theology, and pastors, some of whom we hadn't seen in years. Dave received a recognition for his work in the General Assembly.

We were happy to spend the night at Ramón (Moncho) Celis' home. However, Dave didn't get too much sleep because he got in at 3 a.m. after taking Rodolfo and his wife for whom we have been praying, to the meeting and back home to their village of Yalcobá. Dave was invited to preach at Moncho's church the next morning, and then we drove to Mérida in time to preach at our congregation in the evening, where he also gave communion and attended a Father's Day program afterwards. So we had a very full weekend (as most are, ...he also had a funeral service in another town Saturday morning on the way to Cancún!).

Camp will be held the last week of July and the first week of August, for children and young people. We now have to charge \$50 dollars a week, plus transportation. Any scholarship help would be greatly appreciated.

I don't know when we will write again, but we trust the Lord's blessing on you in these summer months. We will be thinking of you even though we can't get up to the States to see any of you.

Yours in His service, Dave and Jean Legters

**Gifts for the ministry, Camp or for the Seminary may be sent to: The Magi at P. O. Box 43, Byron Center, MI 49315 (Make the check out to The Magi, add a note stating what it is for.)**



### Pouring Out What God Is Pouring In

**Kids for Christ** mission programs have grown out of our love for Jesus Christ and our desire to help those in need both internationally and in the US. We range in ages 5-14. Our goal was to raise \$10,000 to continue mission programs, but the tsunami in Japan and the devastating tornadoes in America hit. We aim to exceed our goal & broaden fundraising to help the Japanese and to purchase Gifts of the Heart Kits for American families.

Kits contain: **Clean-Up Buckets** (5 gal. buckets of cleaning solution, work gloves, scrub brushes, dust masks, trash bags, etc.), **Health Kits** (soap, towels, hairbrushes, Band-Aids, tooth brushes, toothpaste, etc.), **Baby Kits** (diapers, gowns, sleepers, blankets, etc.), **School Kits** (pencils, notebooks, scissors, glue sticks, crayons, etc.), **Teen Kits** (music, posters, hand-held games, snacks, etc...).

Please help support us with your prayers and if your heart is moved to help financially, please make your tax deductible check payable to: **Bishopville PC at P.O. Box 66, Bishopville, SC 29010 (Marked "Kids for Christ Mission")**

# The Scroll

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### *August At A Glance*

- |                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <b>2nd:</b>         | <b>Denominational Committee meeting</b>               |
| <b>5th:</b>         | <b>Altar canned food collection (LCCM)</b>            |
| <b>8th:</b>         | <b>Called Session Meeting</b>                         |
| <b>12th:</b>        | <b>Session</b>  |
| <b>15th - 20th:</b> | <b>Church Office closed</b>                           |
| <b>19th:</b>        | <b>Covered-dish lunch &amp; Informational Session</b> |

### Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship & Coffee Hour - 10:30 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

### Thursday Schedule

Adult Choir - 6:00 p.m.

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Coffee: Young Adult SS Class  
Flowers: Tom English McCutchen
- Wednesday, 8th:** 6:30 p.m. Called Session info meeting
- Sunday, 12th:** 11th Sunday after Pentecost  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session meeting  
Coffee: Young Adult SS Class  
Flowers: Debbie & Bill Tindal
- W-M., 15th-20th:** Church office closed
- Sunday, 19th:** 12th Sunday after Pentecost  
12:00 p.m. Church covered-dish in FH/Information Session  
\*\*\*NO Coffee hour\*\*\*  
Flowers: Lila Mae Welsh
- Sunday, 26th:** 13th Sunday after Pentecost  
Coffee: Jennifer & Perry McCutchen  
Flowers: Beth & Dick McCutchen



**Church Office Closed: August 15th - 20th**  
**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday**  
**9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

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LCCM August Collection  
~ Peanut Butter ~

Don't forget to bring canned items to Church on Sunday, August 5th for our monthly Altar collection





The Session has unanimously voted to begin the process of Gracious Dismissal from New Harmony Presbytery and the PC(USA) to another reformed denomination. This decision was not made quickly or lightly. The Session spent many months of prayer, study, and discussion on the issues leading to this action.

The next step is to give the congregation an opportunity to hear the Session's rationale for seeking Gracious Dismissal and give the opportunity to ask questions and to get answers. The next information session is scheduled following worship on Sunday, August 19. There will be a covered dish lunch that day. Following the meal the elders will be presenting the issues and answering questions. Child care will be provided. This is one of at least two information sessions. The elders are committed to doing all they can to provide the members of our church with the facts they need to make an informed decision, because the decision to stay or leave will be made by the congregation. Please plan to be present for this information session and please pray for the Lord's guidance and direction. -- *Love in Christ, Ken*

### August Sermons

8/5	<i>The Bread of Life</i>	John 6:24-35
8/12	<i>I Need You</i>	Ephesians 4:1-16
8/19	<i>Hope in the Lord</i>	Psalms 130
8/26	<i>Fight the Right One</i>	Ephesians 6:10-20



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*James Medlin*

*John Henley McCutchen*

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### Our Homebound/Retirement Members

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- Louisa Frazier, at her home
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- Naomi McCutchen, at her home
- Jac Olmert, Woodlands, Greenville
- Bruce Rogers, at his home
- Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
- George Swearingen, CottonWood Villa
- Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
- Dot Wilson, at her home

## Happy Birthday



<b>Caroline Jeffords</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Kate Jeffords</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Chloe Jeffords</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>John David</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Billy Clyburn</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Manning Bramlett Lloyd</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Leila McCutchen</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Kirk McCutchen</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Edie Varn</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Steven Terrell III</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Mary Ellen Gaskins</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Jeff Varn</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Steven Frazier</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Betty Manning Heriot</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Grayham Geddings</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Julie Cothran</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Matt Bramlett</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Caroline Welch</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Mary Cousar Laney</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Chip Cothran</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Drew Buddin</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Solomon Reese Eckley</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Jennifer Bailey</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>Todd Buddin</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Lydia Conway</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>Josh Everhart</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Sharon Elvis</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>Virginia Clyburn Ipock</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Diane McElveen</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Sherry Kerr</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Sidney Easters</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Suzanne Daniell Simon</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Susan Farver</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Bert Cousar</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Ryon Watkins</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Lindsay Simon</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Benji Harrington</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Clarke Monroe</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Sara Abbett Kirven</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Cruel Grace Nesbit</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Bette Stuckey</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Cruel Bell III</b>	<b>25</b>
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### August

### Greeter's

### September

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26th Jimmy McCutchen		23rd Cameron & Jill
		30th Steve Monroe

### August

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### Christian Golfer's Association Tournament & Rally

August 24th & 25th in Sumter

**Praise Rally: August 24th, from 6 - 8 p.m.**

Alice Drive Baptist Church (1305 Loring Mill Rd.)

BBQ, door prizes, & "Cedar Creek Quartet"

**Tournament: August 25th @ Sunset Country Club**

8:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. shotgun start

Applications on Church bulletin board

## News from the Session...

As most of you know, by now, our Session is dealing with several very important issues and we promise to keep you informed of what is going on and how the Session is responding to these issues.

Issue#1: We voted unanimously to honor our financial commitment to Presbytery for 2012

Issue#2: We voted unanimously to begin the process of Gracious Dismissal from New Harmony Presbytery and the PC(USA) to another reformed denomination

Issue#3: The congregation will need to elect an elder to replace elder-elect Aaron Easters, who has removed his name from consideration, since his family moved their membership. This matter is referred to the Elder Nominating Committee.

Reports: Gregg McCutchen gave the May/June financial reports and reported that the painting of the woodwork on the Church will begin soon and hopefully be completed by Homecoming, BJ Kerr reported that Homecoming plans are well underway and we hope that you will support this special day in the life of our Church. A High School SS class is being organized with Jennifer McCutchen & Lian Latimer teaching. The Witness Committee is actively updating our Church membership rolls.

The Session would like to thank everyone that worked together to provide a very well organized Bible School. We had a great crowd, excellent teaching and a lot of fun. Thanks to ALL! Again, please get involved, pray for our Church and when all our issues are resolved, we hope that God's will will prevail and we are and will remain united.

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

**Called Session Meeting: Wed., August 8th @ 6:30 pm**

**Stated Session Meeting: August 12th @ 8:00 am**

### OFFICER DUTIES FOR August

**\*Tyson Eckley & Judith Watkins**

\* denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities

Thanks to ALL who helped with the 2012 Salkehatchie Group on Sunday, June 24th, and Wednesday, June 27th. I really appreciate each and every one of your efforts. Our "Kids for Christ" group went way beyond their call of duty, they represented us well! - Renee Bell, PW Moderator

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YTD Income received:	\$5,505.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$264.42

## Church Luncheon & Information Session

August 19th @ noon

Covered-dish

**NO COFFEE HOUR!**

Please bring a dish and join us after worship. We will have our first informational Session about guidelines and direction our congregation will follow for gracious dismissal from PC (USA). The Session needs your input and encourages your attendance at these meetings. We will have a congregational meeting to make our final decision on where we are to go.

## 2012-2013 PW Officer Installation

September 9th

**Officers being installed:**

**Moderator: Kathryn Welch**

**Treasurer: Judith Watkins**

**Search Chair: OPEN**

**Afternoon Circle Chair (1 yr): OPEN**

**Night Circle Chair: Tricia Latimer**

**Contact Circle Chair: Jackie Drayton**

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**3rd:** Labor Day: Church office closed  
**6th:** Adult choir practice resumes  
**9th:** Session / PW Installation  
**16th:** PWCT  
**17th:** Night Circle  
**18th:** Morning & Afternoon Circles  
**19th:** Men of Church  
**30th:** Rally Day

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# SEPTEMBER



# BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EOC: \*Jerry Adams & Cindy Welsh

## Calendar of Events

- Sunday, 2nd:** 14th Sunday after Pentecost  
Tom Kellam in pulpit while Ken is away  
Coffee: Young Adult SS Class  
Flowers: Jennifer & Perry McCutchen
- Monday, 3rd:** Labor Day - Church office closed
- Thursday, 6th:** 6:00 p.m. Adult choir practice resumes
- Sunday, 9th:** 15th Sunday after Pentecost / Monthly LCCM collection  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session meeting  
11:00 a.m. PW Officer Installation  
Coffee: Liz & Billy Simon  
Flowers: William & Judith Watkins
- Sunday, 16th:** 16th Sunday after Pentecost  
9:00 a.m. PWCT meeting  
Coffee: Iris Thomas & Jackie Drayton  
Flowers: Jenny & Gregg McCutchen
- Monday, 17th:** 7:00 p.m. Night Circle (Host: Tricia Latimer)
- Tuesday, 18th:** 10:00 a.m. Morning Circle (Host: Christine Shirley)  
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle (Host: Beth McCutchen)
- Wednesday, 19th:** 7:00 p.m. Men of Church
- Sunday, 23rd:** 17th Sunday after Pentecost  
Coffee: Renee & Crues Bell  
Flowers: Tom English McCutchen
- Sunday, 30th:** 18th Sunday after Pentecost / Rally Day  
Coffee: Edie & Jeff Varn  
Flowers: Louise & Billy McCutchen

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday  
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LCCM September Collection  
~ Sugar & Flour ~  
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The Session met to discuss the Presbyterian denomination to which they recommend we be dismissed. There is much to consider and more information, discussion, and prayer will be required before any recommendation can be made. Of course, the elders will provide another information session for the

congregation to communicate the pros and cons of the denominational options. No matter the choice, there will be Essential Tenants of theology common to both to which all elders and I as pastor must subscribe. I will soon be preaching on some of those Essentials to provide for you a better understanding of the foundation of our faith and commitment as we move forward. Please pour on the prayer for the Lord's guidance and direction. --  
*Love in Christ, Ken*

### September Sermons

9/2	Tom Kellam in pulpit	
9/9	<i>The Pilgrim's Help</i>	Psalms 121
9/16	<i>No Shame - No Condemnation</i>	Romans 8:1-6
9/23	<i>That's Not What I Expected</i>	John 8:2-11
9/30	<i>The Authority of Scripture</i>	2 Timothy 3:14-17



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- George Swearingen, CottonWood Villa
- Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
- Dot Wilson, at her home

**Sunday, September 30th**  
**6:00 p.m.**

### Rally Day & Family Night

The Church will provide hamburgers and hotdogs. Bring a salad or dessert & join us!

## Happy Birthday



Kate Jeffords	1	Louisa Frazier	2
John David	2	Sherian McLendon	4
Manning Bramlett Lloyd	4	Mary Grace Hilditch	10
Kirk McCutchen	6	Caroline Johnson	10
Steven Terrell III	8	Marian Kerr Everhart	12
Jeff Varn	8	Aaron Easters	16
Betty Manning Heriot	10	Christine Shirley	16
Julie Cothran	12	B. J. Kerr	17
Caroline Welch	13	Marilyn Adams	19
Chip Cothran	17	Gordon Wayne Eckley	20
Solomon Reese Eckley	18	Dawn Watson Nesbit	24
Todd Buddin	20	Gloria Broadway	25
Josh Everhart	20	Johnny McCutchen	28
Virginia Clyburn Ipock	20	Steven P. Terrell, Jr.	28
Sherry Kerr	21	John Hampton Cloyd	29
Suzanne Daniell Simon	21	Bo Dickinson	29
Bert Cousar	22	Leland English	29
Lindsay Simon	22	Brenda Flowers	30
Clarke Monroe	23	Anna Grace Kirven	30
Ansley Grace Nesbit	24	Dick McCutchen	30
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Dot Wilson	29		

### September

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### October

2nd	Kayla McCutchen	7th	Dawn & Caroline
9th	Marsha McCutchen	14th	*OPEN*
16th	Perry McCutchen	21st	Shirley Wallace
23rd	Cameron & Jill	28th	William Watkins
30th	Steve Monroe		



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### October

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30th	Missy Kirven		

**News from the Session...**

On behalf of the Session, I would like to thank all of you for attending and taking part in our Sunday luncheon and Informational Session. Your attendance and participation show your concern for and interest in the future of our Church.

The Session has been gathering information to present to you to help all of us in making important decisions concerning the future of our Church. Sometime, in the near future, we will hold additional meetings to share what we have learned.

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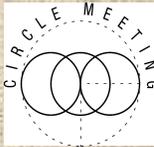
**2012-2013 PW Officer Installation**  
**September 9th**  
**Officers being installed:**  
**Moderator: Kathryn Welch**  
**Treasurer: Judith Watkins**  
**Search Chair: OPEN**  
**Afternoon Circle Chair (1 yr): Janice Reynolds**  
**Night Circle Chair: Tricia Latimer**  
**Contact Circle Chair: Jackie Drayton**

**Adult Choir Practice Resumes**  
**Thursday, September 6th**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
 If you're not part of the choir, but would like to be, we would love to have you join us

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 Jimmy McCutchen will host

**B.A.R.K.** is collecting clean aluminum cans to help the Lee County Animal shelter find homes for homeless animals. Contact Ray or Jackie Drayton @ 484-5292 & they'll pick up cans or bring them to Church. Thanks!

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**SS Class**  
**September 9th**

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### *October At A Glance*

- 2nd:** Adult Fellowship outing to McLeod Farms  
**7th:** Communion / Cents-Ability / PWCT  
**9th:** Stated Presbytery @ Melina PC  
**13th:** Community Family fishing & fishfry @ FBC  
**14th:** Homecoming  
**15th:** Night Circle  
**16th:** Morning & Afternoon Circles  
**17th:** Men of Church  
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*Anniversary  
Celebration*

WORLD  
COMMUNION



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# *BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*

*EOC: \*Carl Frazier & Dick McCutchen*

## *Calendar of Events*

- Tuesday, 2nd:** Adult Fellowship outing to McLeod Farms
- Sunday, 7th:** 19th Sunday after Pentecost / Monthly LCCM collection  
World Communion & Cents-Ability Sunday  
9:00 a.m. PWCT  
Coffee: Bert Cousar & Jane Huggins  
Flowers: Peebles Family
- Sunday, 14th:** 20th Sunday after Pentecost  
**HOME COMING**  
Flowers: Marsha & Jimmy McCutchen
- Monday, 15th:** 7:00 p.m. Night Circle (Host: Jennifer McCutchen)
- Tuesday, 16th:** 10:00 a.m. Morning Circle (Host: Margery Jeffords)  
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle (Host: Katherine Welch)
- Wednesday, 17th:** 7:00 p.m. Men of Church (Host Needed)
- Sunday, 21st:** 21st Sunday after Pentecost  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session  
Coffee: Judith & William Watkins  
Flowers: Sherry & Tom Kerr
- Sunday, 28th:** 22nd Sunday after Pentecost  
Coffee: Diane & Jill McElveen  
Flowers: Monroe Family

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### LCCM October Collection ~ Dried Beans ~

Don't forget to bring canned items to Church on Sunday, October 7th for our monthly Altar collection





The month of October is here again. Once again, watching TV becomes dangerous and scary. With Halloween at the end of the month, TV networks are running series like "30 days of terror." Bloody, gory, demonic, deranged horror is depicted in movies, TV shows, and reality programs. We keep the remote at hand to quickly change the channel

while the previews of horror shows blast out satanic screams. Seeing all this evil on TV, one may come to the conclusion that the entire world is filled with and controlled by evil. Yet the Psalmist tells us that the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell there in. While there may be evil in the world, it is limited in its power and it does not have the final say. God can and does work all things together for good, as we love Him and follow where He leads. The Holy Spirit dwells in us and watches over us. We need to be sure to give the Lord first place in our lives, never giving place to evil in our thoughts, words, or actions. O, Lord, make us pure in mind, heart, and life. Amen.

*Love in Christ, Ken*

### October Sermons

7th	<i>Sovereignty of God</i>	Exodus 33:19 John 15:16
14th	<b>HOME COMING</b>	Rev. Darren Adams
21st	<i>Lordship of Jesus Christ</i>	Mark 10:17-31
28th	<i>Mission &amp; Missional</i>	Mark 28:18-20



Extended communion is gladly served in the homes of those who cannot attend. Please contact the Pastor or an Elder to arrange for extended services. **Cents-Ability** offering will also be collected to help fund the LCCM

### Our Homebound/Retirement Members

- Chip Cothran, at Mother's home
- Harold Galloway, at his home
- Louisa Frazier, at her home
- Laura Latimer, Morningside, Camden
- Naomi McCutchen, at her home
- Jac Olmert, Woodlands, Greenville
- Bruce Rogers, at his home
- Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
- George Swearingen, CottonWood Villa
- Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
- Dot Wilson, at her home

## Happy Birthday



Bayard Huggins	1	Ari Dickinson	3
Louisa Frazier	2	Jerry Adams	4
Sherian McLendon	4	Maddie Varn	8
Mary Grace Hilditch	10	Jill McElveen	9
Caroline Johnson	10	Eddie Boykin	10
Christine Shirley	16	Catherine Bell	12
B. J. Kerr	17	Anna Turner	12
Marilyn Adams	19	Judith Watkins	12
Gordon Wayne Eckley	20	Cally Bell	14
Dawn Watson Nesbit	24	MaryAnna Welsh	14
Gloria Broadway	25	Peggy Corbett	15
Johnny McCutchen	28	Missy Kirven	20
Steven P. Terrell, Jr.	28	Perry McCutchen	22
John Hampton Cloyd	29	Dr. Leon Hunt	23
Bo Dickinson	29	Jackie Drayton	25
Leland English	29	Jane Harrington	27
Brenda Flowers	30	Brad Eckley	29
Anna Grace Kirven	30	Sissy Jeffords	29
Dick McCutchen	30	Lisa Jeffords	30

### Greeter's

October	November
7th Dawn & Caroline	4th Caroline & Wendy
14th *OPEN*	11th Kathryn Welch
21st Shirley Wallace	18th MaryAnna Welsh
28th William Watkins	25th Steven Welsh

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7th Conner Welch	4th Anna Grace & Sara Abbett
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### Nursery Volunteers

October	November
7th Missy Kirven	4th Wendy Welch
14th Judith Watkins	11th Jill McElveen
21st Cindy Welch	18th Missy Kirven
28th Meredith Gaskins	25th Judith Watkins

**News from the Session...**

On behalf of the Session and the congregation, I would like to welcome our newest members: Ann & English Cooper, who transferred from Mt. Zion PC, were received on September 23rd. By the time you read this column, our congregational meeting will probably have already taken place, electing our 2 newest Elders-elect; Ray Drayton & Tricia Latimer. We welcome them and look forward to working with all our newest elders in the coming year. We have had several called meetings lately to gather information about different reformed bodies in which we will decide to be a part of. We met with John Terech, Stated Clerk of ECO Presbytery East on September 23rd and several of us traveled to Anderson to gather information about the EPC Presbytery. We will keep the congregation abreast of any information we receive by having additional meetings to share what we have learned.

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Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

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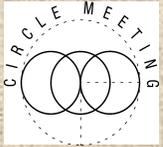
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 **Circle Hostesses for October**  
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**Afternoon (16th) .....** Kathryn Welch

**Family Fishing & Fish Fry**  
**First Baptist Church, Bishopville**  
**Saturday, October 13th**  
**Meet at FBC @ 1:00 for fishing locations**  
**Supper @ 6:00**

**Judgement House**  
**Emmanuel Baptist Church**  
 October 6-7 & 13-14  
 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
 949 N. Marquis Hwy, Hartsville  
 Call 843.332.2271 for reservations

**Family Fall Festival**  
**First Baptist Church, Bishopville**  
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- 19th:** Harvest Banquet @ BUMC
- 21st-25th:** Thanksgiving holiday: Church office closed



**Daylight Savings Ends @ 2 a.m.**  
on November 4th.

Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour,  
before bed on November 3rd



Thank a Vet on November 12th



# NOVEMBER

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*EOC: \*Meredith Gaskins & Gregg McCutchen*

## *Calendar of Events*

- Sunday, 4th:** 23rd Sunday after Pentecost / Monthly LCCM collection  
Gideon Sunday (Marty Arnold)  
Coffee: Meredith Gaskins & Missy Kirven  
Flowers: Naomi McCutchen
- Tuesday, 6th:** Presidential Election Day
- Wednesday, 7th:** 6:00 p.m. Admin. Committee meeting (2013 budget)
- Sunday, 11th:** 24th Sunday after Pentecost  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session  
Coffee: Marsha & Jimmy McCutchen  
Flowers: Diane & William McElveen
- Wednesday, 14th:** 7:00 p.m. Men of Church (Nick West)
- Sunday, 18th:** 25th Sunday after Pentecost  
9:00 a.m. Stated PWCT  
6:00 p.m. Thanksgiving service @ First Baptist Church  
Coffee: Margery, Doris, BJ & Lila Mae  
Flowers: Ray & Jackie Drayton
- Monday, 19th:** 6:30 p.m. Harvest Banquet @ BUMC
- Sunday, 25th:** Christ the King Sunday  
Coffee: Anna Welch & Lian Latimer  
Flowers: Will & Jill McElveen



**Church Office closed November 21st - 25th  
Happy Thanksgiving & Safe travels!**

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**LCCM November Collection**  
~ Holiday Non-Perishables ~  
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Sunday, November 4th for our monthly Altar collection





I recently found 3 quotes which spoke to me about the nature of true Thanksgiving.  
 "To be grateful is to recognize the Love of God in everything He has given us - and He has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him. Gratitude therefore takes nothing for

granted, is never unresponsive, is constantly awakening to new wonder and to praise of the goodness of God. For the grateful person knows that God is good, not by hearsay but by experience. And that is what makes all the difference."  
 "I have learned that in every circumstance that comes my way, I can choose to respond in one of two ways: I can whine or I can worship! And I can't worship without giving thanks. It just isn't possible. When we choose the pathway of worship and giving thanks, especially in the midst of difficult circumstances, there is a fragrance, a radiance, that issues forth out of our lives to bless the Lord and others."  
 "God gave you a gift of 86 400 seconds today. Have you used one to say thank you?" Thank you Lord for family and friends, for worship and song, for love and life, for freedom and opportunity, for Your presence and power, for these and all you many blessings!  
*Love in Christ, Ken*

### November Sermons

4th	<b>Gideon Sunday</b>	
11th	<i>Humility and Commitment</i>	Mark 12:38-44
18th	<i>Thank You, Lord!</i>	I Thes. 5:18 Ephes. 5:20
25th	<i>Christ the King</i>	Revelation 1:4-8

The congregation offers the Spirit of Consolation to those who have lost family members. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
**William Johnson McCutchen, Jr.**  
**James Wyatt Cothran, Jr.**

*For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I will help you."* Isaiah 41:13 (RSV)

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*William Johnson "Billy" McCutchen, Jr.*  
 3/20/1937 - 10/4/2012

*James Wyatt "Chip" Cothran, Jr.*  
 5/25/1943 - 10/10/2012

## Happy Birthday

November



Ari Dickinson	3	Michael Jeffords	5
Jerry Adams	4	Sara Catherine Corbett	6
Maddie Varn	8	Colleen Graham	7
Jill McElveen	9	Elouise Wright	7
Eddie Boykin	10	Gordon Eckley	8
Catherine Bell	12	Becky Crichton	9
Anna Turner	12	Mike Monroe	13
Judith Watkins	12	Janice Reynolds	13
Cally Bell	14	Boochie Swearingen	13
MaryAnna Welsh	14	Dawn Levers	14
Peggy Corbett	15	Maggie Corbett	15
Missy Kirven	20	Tom Kerr	18
Perry McCutchen	22	Jennifer McCutchen	18
Dr. Leon Hunt	23	Billy Simon	20
Jackie Drayton	25	Jane Clyburn	22
Jane Harrington	27	Margery Jeffords	24
Brad Eckley	29	Retta Tindal	24
Sissy Jeffords	29	Brooke Welch	24
Lisa Jeffords	30	Wyatt Frazier	28
		Rena Smith	29
		Britton Watkins	30

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4th Caroline Welch		2nd Ann West
11th Kathryn Welch		9th Melinda Atkinson
18th MaryAnna Welsh		16th Betsy Bramlett
25th Steven Welch		23rd Matt Bramlett
		30th Bert Cousar

November	Helping Hands	December
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**Next Stated Session Meeting: November 11th @ 8:00 am**

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**Finance Meeting**  
**Wednesday, November 7th @ 6:00 p.m.**  
 Working on the 2013 budget

**Men of Church**  
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**Hanging of the Greens**  
**December 2nd**

Come and worship with us as our Sanctuary comes alive with the sights & sounds of Advent and Christmas.



**Christmas Poinsettias:** Please complete the order form in your bulletin or contact the Church office & submit with your payment. Plants are \$14.00 each and will adorn the Sanctuary **Dec. 9th, 16th & 23rd**. Please make checks payable to the church. **Deadline for orders is November 19<sup>th</sup>.**

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**Month of October, 2012**

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**Harvest Banquet**  
**Monday, November 19th @ 6:30 pm**  
**Bethlehem United Methodist Church**

Tickets are \$8 and may be reserved @ BPC & BUMC offices. Open to ALL women. Make checks payable to Laura Ann Windham. **Deadline: November 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**Community Thanksgiving Service**  
**November 18th @ 6:00 p.m.**  
**First Baptist Church**

Everyone is invited to attend

The **Thornwell Home for Children** offering will be collected on **November 18th**. Please remember that these children are orphans of the heart and need prayers, volunteers, and financial support. Together we are answering God's call to care for the orphans in our midst. Turkey banks are placed in the children's SS classes and should be submitted with the offering on November 18th.



**Operation Christmas Child**

The Women of the Church have 20 plastic shoeboxes and will pay the \$7.00 shipping charge for anyone who will pack one of these 20 shoeboxes. The shoe boxes are in the fellowship hall. We also encourage others to pack shoeboxes. If you don't have time to pack one, please write a check to BPC for \$25.00 (marked OCC) and we'll shop for you. This amount should cover the \$7.00 shipping charge. It would be great if we could pack at least 50 shoeboxes. **Collection Week is Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>.**

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## *December At A Glance*

**2nd:** Hanging of the Greens service / 1st Advent  
**4th:** Adult Fellowship (Annette Stokes)  
**6th:** Called Presbytery mtg (Pres. Comm., Florence)  
**9th:** Stated Session meeting / Children's Pageant / Joy Gift luncheon / 2nd Advent  
**16th:** PWCT / 3rd Advent  
**23rd:** Elder Installation / 4th Advent  
**24th:** Christmas Eve Candlelight service @ BUMC  
**25th:** Merry Christmas! Happy birthday JESUS!  
**21st-26th:** Church office closed for Christmas holiday



# December

## Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship & Coffee Hour - 10:30 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

## Thursday Schedule

Adult Choir - 6:00 p.m.

## Church Office Hours

9:00 am - 5:00 pm (Mon., Tues., & Thurs.)  
Rev. Kenneth M. Hicks, Stated Supply Pastor

## Key Officer's and Staff

Richard P. "Dick" McCutchen, Church Clerk  
Gregg McCutchen III, Assistant Clerk  
Gregg McCutchen III, Church Treasurer  
William L. "Billy" Clyburn, Assistant Treasurer  
Gwen Hayden Steinmeyer, Office Manager



# *BISHOPVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*

*EOC: \*Nick West & Renee Bell*

## *Calendar of Events*

- Sunday, 2nd:** 1st Sunday of Advent / LCCM food collection  
Coffee: Tricia Latimer & Wendy Welch  
Flowers: Hanging of Greens
- Tuesday, 4th:** 12:00 p.m. Adult Fellowship Christmas sing-along
- Wednesday, 5th:** 6:00 p.m. Session meets with PRT @ Sumter FPC
- Sunday, 9th:** 2nd Sunday of Advent  
8:00 a.m. Stated Session  
11:00 a.m. Children's Pageant  
12:00 p.m. Joy Gift covered-dish luncheon  
No Coffee Hour  
Flowers: Poinsettia's
- Sunday, 16th:** 3rd Sunday of Advent  
9:00 a.m. Stated PWCT  
Coffee: T-Bo, Tyson, Steven  
Flowers: Poinsettia's
- Sunday, 23rd:** 4th Sunday of Advent / Elder Installation Sunday  
Coffee: Betsy & Matt Bramlett  
Flowers: Poinsettia's
- Monday, 24th:** 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight service @ BUMC
- Tuesday, 25th:** MERRY CHRISTMAS! Happy Birthday JESUS!!!
- Sunday, 30th:** 1st Sunday after Christmas  
Coffee: Cindy Welsh & Debbie Tindal  
Flowers: Edie & Jeff Varn

**Church Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday**  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Unless otherwise noted

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LCCM December Collection  
~ Holiday Non-Perishables ~  
Don't forget to bring extra canned items to Church on Sunday, December 2nd for our monthly Altar collection





As you are aware, your Session has been working very hard for more than a year to understand the facts and implications of issues going on in our denomination, the Presbyterian Church(USA), to make a decision as to whether they should recommend any response to the members of our church, to

decide what that response should be, and finally to provide the congregation the opportunity to become fully informed about the issues and facts, and the rationale for their recommendation. The Session from the beginning wanted to move slowly and deliberately. They wanted to take time to pray, discuss, reflect, and pray some more. They also were committed to following the Gracious Dismissal policy of New Harmony Presbytery. The policy requires that if a church is going to consider seeking dismissal from the Presbytery and the PC(USA) that the Session must request that the presbytery form a Presbytery response team to help the church navigate through the process. The request was made in July. The Administrative Council of New Harmony Presbytery has now approved the formation of our church's PRT and approved the 5 members that will serve on it. The first meeting of the PRT with the Session has been scheduled.

With all these things in place the Session will be setting into motion its plan. Every member of this church will receive an information packet on Sunday, Dec 9th with the Session's recommendation. Those not present will be mailed their copy of the information packet. A series of information sessions and town hall meetings will also be scheduled. The Session will take the time to personally contact all the members of our church to answer questions and communicate important information. The session is committed to helping you, the members of this church, to become fully informed about why we are seeking dismissal and to which Presbyterian denomination we will go, because the final decision is yours.

Please pray fervently and often for the Session, the PRT, and our congregation.

*Love in Christ, Ken*

### December Sermons

2nd	Do We Still Believe This?	Luke 21:25-36
9th	The Children's Pageant	
16th	Life Changing Commitment	Luke 3: 7-18
23rd	God So Loved the World	Luke 2:1-20
30th	Fulfillment and Blessing	Luke 2:21-35



**Church Office closed for holidays  
December 21st - 26th  
Merry Christmas & Safe travels!**

## Happy Birthday



Michael Jeffords	5	Robert McCutchen III	2
Sara Catherine Corbett	6	Ann West	2
Colleen Graham	7	Rhettta Simon Cloyd	3
Elouise Wright	7	Chip Smith	3
Gordon Eckley	7	Bill Tindal	3
Becky Crichton	8	Kody Mills McCutchen	4
Mike Monroe	13	Joseph Hamilton Hicks	6
Janice Reynolds	13	John Bell, Jr	9
Boochie Swearingen	13	Will McElveen	9
Dawn Levers	14	Kean Scott III	9
Maggie Corbett	15	Marvis Baker	11
Tom Kerr	18	John Crues Bell IV	12
Jennifer McCutchen	18	Bill Conway	13
Billy Simon	20	Steven Welsh	13
Jane Clyburn	22	Ken Cutler	14
Margery Jeffords	24	T-Bo Ellen	16
Retta Tindal	24	Carole Scott	18
Brooke Welch	24	Aidan Hilditch	25
Wyatt Frazier	28	Jean Woodmansee	26
Rena Smith	29	Gayle Kerr	27
Britton Watkins	30	Brooke Harrington	30
		Amber Harrington	30
		Josh Kirven	30
		John Latimer	30

### December Greeter's

December	Greeter's	January
2nd	Ann West	6th
9th	Melinda Atkinson	Ralph DesChamps
16th	Betsy Bramlett	13th
23rd	Matt Bramlett	OPEN
30th	Bert Cousar	20th
		OPEN
		27th
		Gardner Family

### December Helping Hands

December	Helping Hands	January
2nd	Kayla & Caroline	6th
9th	Devin Atkinson	Brooke Welch
16th	Anna Grace & Sara Abbett	13th
23rd	Caroline Welch	Kayla & Caroline
30th	Conner Welch	20th
		Devin Atkinson
		27th
		Anna Grace & Sara Abbett

### December Bell Ringer's

December	Bell Ringer's	January
2nd	Caroline Welch	6th
9th	Devin Atkinson	Brooke Welch
16th	Anna Grace & Sara Abbett	13th
23rd	Conner Welch	Caroline Welch
30th	Kayla & Caroline	20th
		Devin Atkinson
		27th
		Anna Grace & Sara Abbett

### December Nursery Volunteers

December	Nursery Volunteers	January
2nd	Meredith Gaskins	6th
9th	Wendy Welch	Cindy Welch
16th	Jill McElveen	13th
23rd	Missy Kirven	Meredith Gaskins
30th	Judith Watkins	20th
		Wendy Welch
		11th
		Jill McElveen

**News from the Session...**

The Session has been very active lately by having a number of meetings. We had speakers come and give us information about both Presbyteries that we are considering and we are gathering information to inform the congregation about a possible recommendation that we plan to present soon. We will have our first meeting with the Presbytery Response Team (PRT) on Wednesday, December 5th.

Several of our families have experienced the loss of loved ones since our last newsletter and we would like to extend our deepest sympathy to these families. We would also like to express our sympathy to the family of Sharon Elvis, our former Church Secretary. Sharon expressed, on many occasions, how much she loved our Church and enjoyed her work here.

We hope you all have had an enjoyable Thanksgiving and are looking forward to celebrating the Christmas season.

Please be in prayer for our Session and our members.

Yours In Christ, Dick McCutchen - Clerk of the Session

**OFFICER DUTIES FOR DECEMBER**

**\*Nick West & Renee Bell**

\* denotes Session prayer/devotion responsibilities

**Elder Installation Sunday**

**December 23rd**

**Elders being installed are:**

- **Matt Bramlett**
- **Ray Drayton**
- **Tricia Latimer**
- **Jimmy McCutchen**

Thank you to the following who will be leaving us this year

- **Tyson Eckley, BJ Kerr, Judith Watkins, Nick West**

You all did a wonderful job and will be missed!

**New Babies in our Church**

**William Welsh Frazier**

Born: September 24, 2012

Parents: Kerry & Steven Frazier

Grandparents: Cindy Welsh, Steven Welsh, Carl Frazier

**Thaddeus Matthew Bailey V**

Born: November 8, 2012

Parents: Jennifer & Thad Bailey IV

Grandparents: Debbie & Bill Tindal



*Thanks to everyone for all your love, support and especially your prayers, during and after Frank's illness. Your prayers afforded him more time to complete what he needed, before leaving this world. - - Sincerely, Susan Cline*

*I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the congregation for your generous contributions to "Project Medishare". Your donations have made it possible for me to travel to Haiti on December 7<sup>th</sup> and spend a week assisting with the medical and spiritual needs of these unfortunate people. - - In Christian love, Christie McCutchen*

**Statistics****Month of November, 2012**

Average Attendance: SS - 34, Worship - 59

**Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)**

MTD Income received:	\$7,942.88
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$7,381.42
YTD Income received:	\$115,684.47
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$146,332.60
<b>Budgeted YTD Income:</b>	<b>\$132,990.00</b>
<b>Budgeted YTD Expenses:</b>	<b>\$132,635.00</b>

**Non-Budgeted Income & Expenses**

(Memorial, Building, & Cemetery Funds)

MTD Income received:	\$1,850.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$200.00
YTD Income received:	\$14,355.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$20,079.12



**Adult Fellowship**  
**December 4th**  
**12:00 noon in Fellowship**  
**Hall**

Annette Stokes, pianist for Cedar Creek Quartet, will help us kick off the Christmas season with a holiday sing-along. Please mark calendars, bring a covered-dish and join us!



**Please contact the Church office if you would like to receive or discontinue using offering envelopes**

**Order your Cookbooks**

Please register & pay in the Fellowship Hall. Cookbooks are \$15.00 each. Make checks payable to PWCT.





**Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Jennifer & Perry McCutchen Family  
**Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>:** Liz & Billy Simon Family  
**Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>:** Kerry & Steven Frazier Family  
**Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Meredith & Bill Gaskins Family



**December 2nd**

Come and worship with us as our Sanctuary comes alive with the sights & sounds of Advent and Christmas.



**Christmas Eve Service**  
**December 24th @ 7:00 p.m.**  
**Bethlehem United Methodist Church**

Everyone is invited to attend



**Children's Christmas Pageant**  
**December 9th**  
**11:00 a.m.**

**Come out and support our youth!**  
**Joy Gift covered-dish luncheon will follow the program. Bring a dish and join us!**



**Christmas Poinsettias** will adorn the Sanctuary **December 16th & 23rd**. If you ordered a plant, please pick it up after worship on the 23rd.



Don't forget our homebound

**Our Homebound/Retirement Members**

- Harold Galloway, at his home
- Louisa Frazier, at her home
- Laura Latimer, Morningside, Camden
- Naomi McCutchen, at her home
- Jac Olmert, Woodlands, Greenville
- Bruce Rogers, at his home
- Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte
- George Swearingen, CottonWood Villa
- Lila Mae Welsh, at her home
- Dot Wilson, Springdale Health Care, Camden

The congregation offers the Spirit of Consolation to those who have lost family members. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.



**Dr. Myers Hicks**  
**John Thomas Walker III**  
**Sharon Hunt Elvis**  
**Bessie Fowler**  
**Vernon Reynolds, Jr.**

*For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I will help you." Isaiah 41:13 (RSV)*

Yesterday's high: 85°  
Last night's low: 59° (beautiful!)

Dear Friends and Prayer Partners:

It is early for a Christmas letter, but someone is going to the States and can take mail. Then again, it is always time to be thankful for God's blessings in our lives, our work, our family. "In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thess. 5:18).

We are thankful for the gift of life and health. In recent days Dave turned 75, and I 72. The music school students brought me a surprise serenade – very touching. It doesn't seem possible, but after our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, it must be true! We thank the Lord for the times of blessing as well as of hardship. These last have helped us to grow and mature and be strong in our faith, knowing that "...all things work together for good to those who love God and are called according to His purpose" (Rom. 8:28). Our physical ailments are quite minor. We can continue to serve the Lord with the strength He gives us.

This past October Dave was named president (moderator) for 2 years of the Synod of the Peninsula of Yucatan, which covers 12 presbyteries over a three state area (Yucatan, Quintana Roo and Campeche). Though he will no longer be pastoring a specific congregation, he has more invitations to preach and teach each weekend. He will continue to visit three small mission churches (in Yalcobá and in Chemax in the east, and Temax in the north) to serve communion every month.

I take my keyboard and play it wherever we go. Besides the towns I have mentioned, we have also recently been in the towns of Tahmek, Dzitbalché, Dzoncauich, Hop'elchén, Chunjub, Tixcaltuyub, (try to pronounce all those good Maya names!). I also sell Bibles, hymnals and other Christian literature. In all these places there are many brothers and sisters whom we have known over the years, so there is always a mutual joy in seeing each other again. The calendar for the rest of the year is very full as well. My Merida church choir will be presenting a Christmas cantata in different congregations that are sponsored by the Divine Savior church. My eyesight has deteriorated some, and I now carry a special lamp with me in order to see the music I have to play, since the lighting is often so poor.

The Seminary is doing well, we praise the Lord for that. Its president Rev. Amós Cahuich was just appointed for another 4 years. Dave has been teaching a heavy load – 5 subjects this semester. Next semester should be lighter. He is now listening and grading the "senior sermons" of the 9 fourth year students he has.

My first year piano students are all doing exceptionally well ... not one is lazy or doesn't practice! The seminary choir's Christmas concert will be held December 12. Classes will resume on January 21, after all the presbyteries in the area have had their meetings. Many thanks to those of you who are helping Dan Isaac complete his last year of music training. He is very grateful to each of you.

Our Daniel and his wife are both teaching; their 3 children are now all in school. We enjoy seeing our daughter Debbie nearly every day, after her 18-year absence from Yucatan. She is adjusting well to life in Mexico again, and of course to her new married life. However, she does miss her nephews and niece back in St. Louis, and all the friends she made while in the States. Mark and Altia's congregation grows, although their personal financial needs are great. We truly thank the Lord for the blessing of Christian families (our own children!) that are teaching their children how to live the Christian life.

We trust you can find many things for which to be thankful this Thanksgiving season; not only the blessings but also the difficulties. As Christmas approaches, may we also be thankful for God's wonderful gift, and what it meant for Him to give us His only Son. I am ending with a small quote that came to us in a recent email ... may we all appreciate Christ's great sacrifice.

*Was ever a gift like the Savior given? He leaves the bosom of the eternal Father, and comes to the bosom of an earthly mother. The Son of God becomes the son of Mary. The Infinite becomes an infant. He who holds the world in His arms is held in the arms of a frail woman. He whose garment is space, whose house is the universe, whose chariots are the clouds and whose diadems are the stars is wrapped in swaddling bands, and laid in a manger. ... He leaves the throne of heaven, for the Cross outside the city wall. He who is the Prince of life bows His head in death. He who is without sin becomes the Sin-bearer. The Christ of God becomes the Crucified. He who is the Father's delight becomes the God-forsaken. - by the British minister, J. Sidlow Baxter*

Your servants for Jesus' sake, Jean (and Dave) Legters

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