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2026

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

Coffee Time - 10:30 a.m.

Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

Business Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

Adult Choir Practice

Thursday's @ 4:00 p.m.

Key Officers and Staff

Clerk: Reese Atkinson / Asst. Tim McIlhenny

Treasurer: Gregg McCutchen / Asst. Billy Clyburn

Office Manager: Gwen Hayden Steinmeyer

Choir Director: Bo Dickinson / Asst. Lian Latimer

Pastor: Rev. Christopher Parnell

From the Pastor... It's hard to imagine so, but 250 years is not that long ago in the grand scheme of things. And yet, here we are at the 2.5x anniversary of our nation & its independence, and we can't help thinking about how much the world - and our nation - has changed since that Declaration was signed in July 1776. In those 250 years, we've seen the invention of computers, cars, planes, trains, electric power, microprocessors & microphones, microchips & microscopes, the construction of Mt. Rushmore, and the invention of the McDonald's drive-through. It's been a wild ride since we declared and began celebrating our independence.

So it's a strange time to bring up the fact that independence is not really a Christian virtue.

And now you're worried that your pastor got hit on his head at the lizardman stomp or by a falling firework. Let me explain: In the beginning of this nation we call the United States of America, we needed independence, we needed freedom to set our own course, to make our own way, and we invested that value into our culture and ethos. We have liberty, we have opportunity, we have that innate American value-set that lets us pursue life, liberty and happiness - and those are good things... but not necessarily Christian.

To understand what I mean (and why our American independence is not a bad thing or antithetical to our Christian identity), we need to go back to our Christian beginning, and in the beginning of our faith, we realize nothing depends on US: Everything depends on Jesus. Jesus earns our salvation. Jesus pays our price. Jesus embraces our punishment. Jesus seeks and saves the lost. Jesus heals, Jesus provides, by Jesus' stripes & wounds our sins are forgiven, and we - along with all things - were created by him, through him, and for him and his glory alone. We are gloriously DEPENDENT - dependent on Christ Jesus.

More than that, Jesus in saving us, makes us into a community where we are interconnected and inter-dependent on each other. We are not only brothers & sisters, we are a BODY - made up of many parts, all of which are & need connection, all of which function only when we embrace our dependence on Jesus, the Spirit, and each other. We are gloriously dependent on Jesus and his Church.

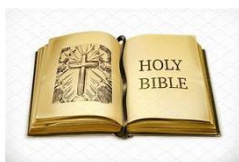
So this 250th anniversary of our independence, our freedom to worship, to live, to love, to make our own ways as a people, let us also celebrate our dependence on Christ Jesus. And let us make a place for his Church and his life in our own.

God bless you!

Pastor Chris



July Sermons



- 7/5 Patrick Parnell in pulpit
- 7/12 Romans 1:16-25
- 7/19 Romans 2:6-12
- 7/26 Romans 3:10-26

NEWS FROM THE SESSION ...

The Session met on June 14th. The Property committee is working on several projects to maintain the grounds & buildings. We have a Building Fund set up for anyone that would like to contribute to any upcoming and/or ongoing building projects, maintenance, etc...

The Session has begun the process of reviewing the membership rolls. If you have any updates to your record or know of someone, please email the Church office.

If the Session can do anything for you, please contact the Church Office by email (bishopvillepc@gmail.com).

Love in Christ, Reese Atkinson, Clerk of Session

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

July Elders-On-Call: *Gregg McCutchen & Tim McElhenny

August Elders-On-Call: *Jimmy McCutchen & Matt Bramlett

*denotes Session devotional responsibilities

June 2026 Statistics

Attendance Average's

Worship: 60 Sunday School: 29

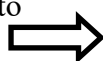
Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)

MTD Income received:	\$13,920.25
YTD Income received:	\$132,658.67
Budgeted YTD Income	\$113,964.00
Needed: MTD Expenses	\$18,682.12
disbursed:	\$112,376.11
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$115,140.00

Budgeted YTD Expenses:**Non-budgeted Income & Expenses (designated)**
(Cemetery, Building & Playground Funds)

MTD Income received:	\$1,350.00
YTD Income received:	\$6,946.70
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00

You may use your smart phone/device to give online by scanning this QR code



or use Zelle (pref.) through your bank to:
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Please leave your name and note where funds are to designated, on all gifts

Remember our HOMEBOUND

Doris Bell @ Skilled Care Manor, Florence
Karen Gentry @ Memory Care Manor, Florence
Kathryn Hart @ The Addison, Florence
BJ Kerr @ McCoy
Beth McCutchen @ McCoy
Hugh Tindal @ his home
Dotty G. Williamson @ Morrell's, Hartsville

SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR**JULY 2026**

5th: Virginia & Charlie Ipock
 12th: Harriett & Henry Watson Family
 19th: William & Pat Monroe Fields
 26th: Reese & Melinda Atkinson

AUGUST 2026

2nd: Bert Cousar
 9th: Debbie & Bill Tindal
 16th: Bill Welsh Family
 23rd: Lena & Leila McCutchen
 30th: John Latimer

SEPTEMBER 2026

6th: Reneé Bell
 13th: Ryan & Andrea McCutchen
 20th: Jennifer & Perry McCutchen
 27th: Reese & Melinda Atkinson

OCTOBER 2026

4th: Liz & Billy Simon
 11th: John & Karen Gentry
 18th: Christine Shirley Family
 25th: Mike Monroe

**NOVEMBER 2026**

1st: Reneé Bell
 8th: Wendy & Benny Welch
 15th: Ray & Jackie Drayton
 22nd: Jim & Barbara Latimer
 25th: Hanging of the Greens

DECEMBER 2026

6th: Poinsettia Array
 13th: Poinsettia Array
 20th: Poinsettia Array
 27th: John & Karen Gentry

January 2027

3rd: Michael Blades
 10th: Kerry & Steven Frazier
 17th: Reneé Bell
 24th: Carol Latimer Finethy
31st: OPEN

February 2027

7th: Jim Ed & MaBeth McCutchen
 14th: Iris Thomas family
 21st: Ann & English Cooper
 28th: Reneé Bell

Please contact the Church Business Office (preferably by email) to change a date or to be added/removed from the running Flower Calendar



Reese Atkinson 8
Covington Ipock 8
Frank Lawson Tindal 8
Kim Easters 11
Betsy Bramlett 12
Gregg McCutchen IV 12
Avarie Easters 14
Allen Corbett 15
Andi Hyman 15
Ashley Latimer 21
Andrea McCutchen 24
Libby Corbett 26



Bobby Thomas 1
Billy Clyburn 6
Leila Ethel McCutchen 7
John Gentry 8
Mary Ellen Gaskins 9
Brittany Hyman 11
Steven Frazier 12
Matt Bramlett 15
Lydia Conway 22
Ernie Muldrow 22
Debra Welsh 25
Diane McElveen 26
Sidney Easters 27
Victoria Ipock 28
Sara Abbett Kirven 30

FROM CHURCH BUSINESS OFFICE

Email & Postal mail, is checked and acted on, daily as applicable. Please mail donations to:

Bishopville PC @ POB 66
Bishopville, SC 29010

NOTE: Post Office returns all street mail



Business Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Unless otherwise noted below

2026 Business Office vacation/holiday closings:

July 6th; September 7th; October 20th-27th;
November 24th - 30th;

December 1st & 22nd - 29th

Please contact office to update records (via email)



Coffee Time: Sunday's @ 10:30 am
between Sunday School & Church.
Anyone who wishes to host, please
sign up on the kitchen calendar.
Everyone is welcome to join us



Vacation Bible School "Illumination Station"

Sunday July 26th: 5:30 – 8:00 (w/registration)

Monday, 27th & Tuesday, 28th from 6:00 – 8:00. pm

Wednesday, 29th @ 6:00 pm we will have a Fun Day
Supper will be served each night and everyone is welcome to attend



Holy Communion

We will celebrate Communion on July 12th. Communion is gladly served in the homes of anyone that can't attend worship. Please contact the pastor or an Elder for extended services.

July Communion Elders: Steven & Beth



HOMEcoming - 188 years and counting... Sunday, October 11th
Keep watching newsletters and bulletins for more info

Jewish Voice Coin Collection

Thanks to your support, Jewish Voice was able to help meet people's basic need for dental services in war-torn Ukraine. Your generosity shares the hope of Yeshua (Jesus) while providing tangible help to meet real needs – sometimes in desperate situations, like Ukraine. Coin banks are in the Bell Tower room and you can pick up and drop off any time of the year, in the office.

Thanks to all who participate!

We collected \$77.65 in May. Next collection: Nov. 15th



"Blessing Box" Ministry

These boxes are stocked/maintained with food, necessities, devotionals & Bibles, by our children and they are updating the Church on the progress

Collection dates: 1st Sunday of each month.

We are receiving canned food & cash gifts

We are cleaning stones in our cemetery.

Anyone with any objections or interest, please contact the Church office via email or contact Wendy Welch



Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry

Thank you to everyone who helps pack or donates funds and/or items for the shoeboxes. We collect all year & mail in November

All 5th Sunday undesignated gifts are placed into the Kids for Christ Mission Fund.

Please note "Kids4Christ" on gifts outside this timeframe. Make checks payable to BPC. If it is for a specific need or project, please indicate that purpose on your check or correspondence.

Next collection date: August 30, 2026