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**Due to the COVID-19 virus all Sunday Worship Services will be shortened
and begin @ 10:00 am, until further notice**



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on Facebook to
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Email us to receive enews: bishopvillepc@gmail.com
Printed materials available, upon request, through office

The Session will meet, as needed, to approve
appropriate & safe decisions regarding Church
services & gatherings.

All updates will be posted on our website & our
Facebook page, as it becomes available

August Elders-On-Call:
Jerry Adams & Ryan McCutchen

COVID SERVICE SCHEDULE

NO Sunday School
NO Fellowship & Coffee
Sunday Worship Service - 10:00 a.m.

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

Key Officers and Staff
Clerk: Charlie Ipock / Gregg McCutchen, Asst.
Treasurer: Jerry Adams / Billy Clyburn, Asst.
Office Manager: Gwen Hayden Steinmeyer
Pastor: Rev. Christopher Parnell

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From the Pastor's Desk...

2 Thessalonians 3:13, "As for you, brothers & sisters, do not grow weary in doing good"

Thank you for being the Church!

A doctor friend of mine recently said, "You know that we're living through history right now." Indeed, these are times unlike any other in my, or I dare say anyone else's lifetimes, except those increasing few who were born around the time of the Spanish Flu epidemic of the early 20th Century. From economic & school shutdowns, to community ordinances, to church closures, there has never been an age quite like this one...

And in the midst of all this, I can say that my church—you—has been incredible.

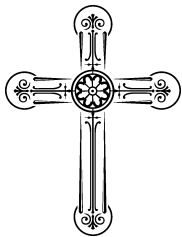
In the midst of this unfamiliar, unplanned-for, unplannable-for circumstance, you have been, well, the Church. How so? In your ministry, your love, your living, your giving, your sharing, and your fellowship—even though you've taken precaution after precaution to limit the spread of the Covid-19 virus! I've seen you adapt in amazing ways to new technologies, to social media avenues, to ways of doing things we never imagined 9 months ago even existed. At the same time, I've seen you rise up in older ways as well—mailing cards & letters, making phone calls, making visits in socially distant ways. And think of the ways in which you've adapted to be able to meet for worship!

Thank you for being the Church.

Now, following after the Apostle Paul, let me encourage you to keep on being the Church. Paul tells his church family in Thessalonica, "Don't stop; don't go idle. Don't get tired of doing what the Church does. Don't stop praying with & for each other. Don't stop reading & studying your Bibles. Don't stop giving yourself to your church family & neighbors. Don't stop inviting people to church. Don't stop talking about Jesus—whatever you do, don't ever get tired of talking about Jesus. Keep on being the Church—that's who you are, praise God!"

We're living through history right now, and from where I stand, when the history books of the next century are written (should our Lord tarry), any honest history will look at the Church in 2020 and say, "Yes, they were scared. Yes, they weren't prepared for it—but they never stopped being the Church because of it."

Thank you for being my Church! – Pastor Chris



August Sunday Sermons & Scriptures



Aug. 2nd:	The Promise	John 14:15-18, 26-27
Aug. 9th:	The Depths	1 Corinthians 2:8-16
Aug. 16th:	Discipline	1 Corinthians 9:19-27
Aug. 23rd:	Unity in Diversity	1 Corinthians 12:1-13
Aug. 30th:	The Excellent Way	1 Corinthians 13

Due to COVID-19, Worship will be @ 10 am, with no choir, fellowship or nursery

News from the Session...

Who can believe, we're pushing into August! Needless to say, this has been a year we'll never forget, as it's a year where we're actually living history. Typically, we only read about it in books, school, or some other history lesson: but for us, we are in the throws of it.

What do you think about when you read history in the Bible? Some say the Bible is only historical. We don't, we believe it is truth. We believe it is history too, history of how God works through fallen humans to redeem the elect. This history of God working through fallen people should be history we gravitate to. We are in the midst of men and women calling out to God asking, "Why?" We are not removed from the anguish seen in our historical Bible. But what happens in that history we read: Jesus comes. Even more happily, we are told He will come again.

Let us be reminded, in this time of history, of the history of our God: He sent His Son to redeem us. He tells us that Son is coming again. History shows us that truth, let us live in that truth. Amen

The Session met on July 26th and decided to continue with the same Worship format for the month of August. Please continue to social distance as our cases rise. We invite anyone who wishes to worship with us on Sunday's @ 10:00 a.m. Sanitizer & Masks are available for anyone needing them.

The Session will meet August 30th, after worship, to decide September schedule and upcoming events.

In Christ, Charlie Ipock - Clerk of Session

AUGUST ELDERS-ON-CALL

Jerry Adams & Ryan McCutchen

Called Session: August 30th, after worship

Due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus)...

All Church events, except Worship have been cancelled, until further notice.

Worship Service: Sunday's @ 10:00 a.m.

Other events will be determined and posted on/in our website, bulletins, newsletter, Facebook page

UPDATE: Homecoming, Bible School & Church Picnic have been postponed. Rally Day plans will be determined at end of August

July 2020 Statistics

Worship Attendance average: 24

Budgeted Income & Expenses (operating)

MTD Income received:	\$14,653.00
YTD Income received:	\$110,146.27
Budgeted YTD Income Needed:	\$124,145.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$12,342.18
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$106,299.44
Budgeted YTD Expenses:	\$124,045.00

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

MTD Income received:	\$150.00
YTD Income received:	\$1,515.00
MTD Expenses disbursed:	\$0.00
YTD Expenses disbursed:	\$2,200.00

Congregational Meeting Elder Election c/o 2023

Election Date: After 1 month of normal worship

2020 Elder Nomination Committee Members

Matt Bramlett & Cindy Welsh, Chairs

Dwayne Sweatman

Kathryn Welch

Susan Cline

Andrea McCutchen

If you wish to not serve, please contact a Committee member or the Church office

Our HOMEBOUND Members

Dot Cothran @ her home

Laura Latimer, The Blake, Elgin

Boochie Swearingen, Sunrise, Charlotte

Doris Bell, Memory Care Manor, Florence



Canned Food & Monetary gifts for the Lee County Cooperative Ministries (LCCM)

1st Sunday of each month

Please note "LCCM" on all LCCM monetary gifts

August designation: PEANUT BUTTER

Please leave all food donations in Bell Tower room (in LCCM canister)



Presbyterian Women
RADA fundraiser
for Ministry & Missions

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



Flower Calendar

AUGUST

2nd: Bert Cousar
9th: Debbie & Bill Tindal
16th: Bill Welsh Family
23rd: OPEN
30th: OPEN

SEPTEMBER

6th: Retta & Hugh Tindal
13th: Judith & William Watrkins
20th: Jennifer McCutchen
27th: OPEN

Please contact Church Office if you would like to be changed, added, or removed from upcoming Flower Calendar. Calendar runs September - September



Church Business office hours

Monday - Wednesday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Email & Postal mail, is checked and acted on, daily as applicable. All donations/tithes can be mailed to
Bishopville PC
POB 66

Bishopville, SC 29010

NOTE: All mail sent to our street address will be returned by Post Office

Vacation/Holiday Business Office closings:

August 19th
September 7th & 14th
October 12th
November 24th - 25th
December 22nd - 28th

Please contact the Church Office with any contact updates and/or if you would like to be changed, added, or removed from any Calendars or Circles

Happy Birthday August September

Bobby Thomas	1	Manning Bramlett Lloyd	4
Billy Clyburn	6	Steven Terrell III	8
Leila Ethel McCutchen	7	Jeff Varn	8
Edie Varn	8	Betty Heriot	10
Mary Ellen Gaskins	9	Julie Cothran	12
Brittany A. Hyman	11	Caroline Welch	13
Steven Frazier	12	Charlie Ipock	14
Grayham Geddings	13	Virginia Clyburn-Ipock	20
Matt Bramlett	15	Suzanne Simon	21
Jennifer Bailey	22	Bert Cousar	22
Lydia Conway	22	Lindsay Simon	22
Diane McElveen	26	William Frazier	24
Sidney Easters	27	Ansley Nesbit	24
Victoria Ipock	28	Patrick Parnell	24
Benji Harrington	30	Crues Bell	25
Sara Abbett Kirven	30	Reese Atkinson	29
		McCants Lloyd	29
		Wendy Welch	29



Kid's for Christ Ministry

Our children collected
\$423.39 in coins for the

month of June for the Jewish Voice Ministry. We want to thank everyone who has helped us in this ministry. Coin banks can be picked up & dropped off in the Bell Tower room, if you would like to help us in this ongoing mission

All loose offering on August 30th will support the Kids for Christ missions

Thank You



Thank you for all your prayers, calls, cards, texts, and concerns during my recent illness. I am doing much better and getting stronger each day.
In Christ's Love, Gwen Steinmeyer

In Memorium

Louis G. Shirley
3/22/1929 - 7/4/2020