

DUNCAN MEMORIAL UMC  
**Office:** 843-546-5647; Fax: 843-545-8018  
**Parsonage:** 843-461-3077; Cell 1-843-616-2376  
**Website:** https://duncanumcsc.com  
**Worship:** 11:00 a.m.  
**Sunday School:** 10:00 a.m. Adult SS in Fellowship Hall  
**Choir Practice:** 10:00 a.m. Sunday

Hearing Assistance Devices Available  
 Please Observe Handicapped Parking

**Church Office Hours are:**  
 Open 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. *Monday-Thursday*  
 Closed 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. for *Lunch*  
 Open 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. *Monday-Wednesday*  
 Closed Thursday afternoon and all day Friday.

Please leave messages on the phone system.  
 The message service is checked regularly.  
 Emergencies, call Pastor Gafford 1-843-616-2376  
 Resident Bishop: Rev. L. Jonathan Holston  
 Marion District Superintendent: Rev. Timothy J. Rogers

Pastor .....Rev. Dr. Dora R. Gafford  
 Administrative Assistant.....Carolyn Sherrer  
 Financial Secretary..... Bonnie J. Altman  
 Music Ministry.....Mary Ruth Ragland  
 Organist.....Paul I. Skoko  
 Pianist.....Lynne Korb  
 Children/Youth Director.....Vacant  
 Nurture/Outreach Coordinator.....Deborah Kaufman  
 Sound System.....Bob Pace/Bruiser Mann  
 Stephen Ministry.....Debbie Kaufman  
 Worship Chair.....Melanie Daniels



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**NOVEMBER  
 2019**

**Duncan Memorial United Methodist**

*Oldest Existing United Methodist Church in South Carolina – Est. 1785*

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Day	Name	Day	Name
1	Ford, Dwight	14	Hamer, Angela
1	McLaughlin, Bobby	14	Cahill, Sally
2	Walters, Nora	14	Joseph, Kathleen
2	Smith, Wilson	16	Moses, Anna
2	Sparger, Donna	16	Sanchez, Dallas
2	Orndorf, Donna	18	Thompson, Bobo
2	Metz, Kelly	18	Lambert, Megan
2	Mitchell, Robert	19	Shelley, Nate
2	Smith, Hannah	20	Myers, Judy
5	Adkins, Grady	21	Stewart, Nancy
6	Beard, Austin	22	Beard, Lori
6	Moore, Bubba	22	Taylor, Michael
6	Young, Ashley	24	Richburg, Oscar
9	Love, Louise	24	Jordan, Peachey
9	Young, Debbie	25	Ballard, Stuart
10	Rogers, Austin	26	Newbern, Fairy
12	Sessions, Mike	27	Burns, Ernie
13	McCants, Jackie	28	Church, Angela
13	Culbertson, Renee	28	Ewing, Darby
13	Constable, Melissa	30	DeLeone, Gina

### Prayer Requests

**Embrace Hospice House, MB:** Louise St. John  
**Grand Strand Nursing Rehab:** Marge Schruhl  
**Methodist Oaks, Orangeburg:** Burnsie Thomas  
**Morningside:** Thelma Forbes, Bertha Cole, Verline Tyson, Dot Porter  
**Prince George:** Katherine Clowney, Geraldine Jayroe  
**Sandpiper Village, Mt. Pleasant:** Betty Bourne  
**Spartanburg Rehab:** Judy Myers  
**Veteran Victory House, Walterboro:** Sparkie Bourne  
**At Home:** Ila Mae Mitchum, Margaret Kinard, Ruth Colburn, Winifred Poit, June Roberts, Tom & Shirley Owens, Mandy Lewis, Nora Walters, Erik DeLeone, Emily Smith, Paula Ford, Jack Nistendirk, Dianne Haney, Hubert Davidson

## THE PASTOR'S POINT OF VIEW

**NOVEMBER NEWS**  
 Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise! **Psalm 100:4**

Just the word, November, gives us many reasons to offer thanks. It is traditionally a month that shows us color that defies description and crisp, cool mornings that are a welcome change from the long, hot days of summer. However, in our spiritual lives there is also much to celebrate in November. On the first Sunday of November we observe **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**. That is the day we remember our departed loved ones and give thanks that we will one day be reunited with them. The All Saints Banner will be in the back hallway for you to add new names.

Next, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November, we will observe **CONSECRATION SUNDAY**. That day we will make our "Faith Promise" to support God's kingdom work through the missions and ministries of Duncan. After we bring our cards with our promised support to the altar, we will celebrate God's goodness with a "**SOUP AND CORNBREAD**" lunch in the Family Life Center. *(I think our wonderful choir and musicians will also pay tribute to our veterans that day. You don't want to miss this).*

November 24<sup>th</sup> is **CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**. This is actually the end of our Christian year, and we will then move to the special Thursday we call **THANKSGIVING!** We have so much to give thanks for – don't let football games rob you of the chance to truly lift your voice in prayer and praise.

The Sunday after Thanksgiving we move right into the **ADVENT SEASON**. Those of you who are new to our Duncan family have some special delights ahead as you will experience the amazing Choir musical that is a favorite for many – not just our members, but others in the community as well. Some even travel great distances to come and worship during this wonderful tribute to our savior - mark your calendars for December 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>! Another favorite tradition is the annual **CANDLELIGHT DINNER** which will be on December 15<sup>th</sup> this year. (More information on that later). Finally, we will celebrate the birth of Jesus on December 24, Christmas Eve, at 5:00 p.m. with Carols, Candlelight and Communion! Don't miss any of these awesome opportunities to worship with us at Duncan.

**O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together. Psalm 34:3**

**DORA**

## GOD'S SERVANTS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2019

**Acolyte/Crucifer:** Contact: Melanie Daniels  
 3 Price Moore/Harper Moore  
 10 Hope Richardson/Julia Easterling  
 17 Dessie Oliver/Neal Koonce  
 24 DuPre Harmon/Trace Harmon

**Altar Guild - Church - Nov.-** Vee Nistendirk, Kathy Clifford  
**Altar Guild - Chapel - Nov.-** Melissa Constable

**Children's Church:** Contact: Bevin Googer (Interim)  
 3 No Children's Church on Communion Sunday  
 10 Tyler Easterling  
 17 Courtney Koonce  
 24 Kristen Carter

**Greeters:** Contact: Marilyn Altman  
 3 Ann Koerber, Louise St. John, Melissa Constable (P)  
 10 Cindy Thompson, Brenda Davis (P)  
 17 Paula Ford, Nikki Ewing (P)  
 24 Velva Ellerbe, Louise Walters, Elsie Jayroe (P)

**Lay Readers:** Contact: Carolyn Sherrer at Church Office  
 3 None - Communion  
 10 Sara Gurney  
 17 Emily Smith  
 24 Jim Moody

**Monday Counters:** Contact: Margaret Ulrichsen  
 4 Denise Pace  
 11 Louise Walters  
 18 Velva Ellerbe  
 25 Jane Thomas

**Nursery Volunteers:** Contact: Bevin Googer (Interim)  
 3 Emma Ulman  
 10 Jan Moore  
 17 Laura Royster  
 24 Katie Damon

**Ushers/Offering:** Contact: Paige Sawyer  
 3 Paige Sawyer, Bruiser Mann, David Bertrand, Warren Sherrer, Hank Strickland, James Cannon  
 10 Bobo Thompson, Mark McCoy, Charlie DeLorme, Melanie Daniels, Louise Walters, Walt Thomas  
 17 Dwight Ford, Alton Ewing, Mitch Roberts, Sonny Tharp, Jamey Walters, Glen Roberts  
 24 John Kester, Glenda Cribb, Velva Ellerbe, Gerry Thomas, Ben Culbertson

**Newsletter Volunteers - November 27<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - Archives** - Elsie Jayroe, Brenda Davis, Jane Holloway



*Memorials and Honorariums*  
*Given September 23 - October 27, 2019*

**Altar Guild Fund**

In memory of Betty Freeman

By Winifred B. Poit

**Bell Tower Fund**

In memory of James Lee Ellerbe and John H. Tuten

By Paige and Susan Sawyer

In memory of James Lee Ellerbe

By Brooks High

In memory of James Lee Ellerbe and J. L. Plexico

By Glenda Cribb

In memory of Lou Ann Stollings and Homer Lee Bruffey

By Paige and Susan Sawyer

In memory of Cliff Gilmer, Sr.

By Lewis and Debbie Dugan

In memory of Geneva Woodbury

By Paige and Susan Sawyer

In memory of Ashley LeAnn W. Avant

By Paige and Susan Sawyer

**General Maintenance Fund (Church Garden)**

In honor of Gertrude Chandler

By Douglas and Wilmer Chandler

**Music Fund**

In memory of James Ellerbe

By Jim and Becky Moody

**Nurture/Outreach**

In honor of Pastor Dora and all that she  
 has done for the Evans and Givens families

By Dean and Courtenay Givens

**Pastor's Discretionary Fund**

In memory of James Lee Ellerbe

By John and Alice Kester  
 By Elsie Jayroe

In memory of Martha Isaac

By Wallace and Charlotte Moulton

In loving memory of Helen Broach

By her family

**Scholarship Fund**

In memory of James Ellerbe

By Loula Ford Circle

**United Methodist Women**

In memory of James Ellerbe

By the Trinity Sunday School Class  
 By the Cannon-Price Circle

**Youth Funds**

In memory of James Lee Ellerbe

By Lenora Walters

**Nurture and Outreach**

*"Reaching out to touch others with Christ's Love.."*



*A "Big Thank You" to all who made the Fall Luncheon a Success!!  
 Our attendance was small but enjoyed by all.*

*Meeting Date for November:*

*November 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Archives Room*



In October the children got together for our Wonderful Wednesday activities to create and decorate pumpkins for our shut-ins and home-bound members. (see below photos).

We have chosen **"Christmas is Jesus"** for the children's Christmas program and will begin practicing for it in November on Wednesdays and during Children's Church as needed. This is a program with a lot of speaking parts, so please let Lindsay or Bevin know if your child or grandchild wants to participate! The children's Christmas program will be Sunday, Dec. 22 at 10:00am, with a Christmas party for the children following it at 11:00am.

We would like to send a big **THANK YOU** to those parents and grandparents that are volunteering to teach Sunday School to our elementary age children every Sunday. The children are so excited about the material and growing so much in their Bible knowledge and faith in the Lord. It is truly awesome to see!

Thank you also to those that continue to volunteer in our Nursery and assisting with Children's Church each Sunday.



**In Christ,**  
 Bevin Googer  
 Katie Damon  
 Lindsay Moore



***“Christ Caring for People through People!”***

*That’s the motto of Stephen Ministry.*

*“Stephen Ministers help those they care for experience God during those times in life when they might be wondering, Is God even there?”*

Let us be there to help you or someone you love travel this difficult time!! All referrals are confidential!



For More Information Contact:

Pastor Dora: 843-616-2376  
Debbie Kaufman: 843-655-9848  
Jane Thomas: 843-344-0353  
**(All Calls are Confidential)**



**Reminder:**

**Prayer Partners are available immediately after the morning worship.**

**Meeting Dates:**

**Tuesdays November 12<sup>th</sup> Supervisory Meeting at 1:00**

**November 19<sup>th</sup> Continuing Education at 1:00**

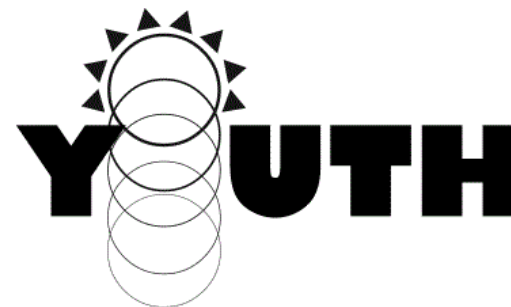


**We want to remind everyone, if you or those you know, need assistance, visits or would like Communion brought to your home, please get in touch with someone in the Nurture Group, or call the church office.**

**“We Want to Serve”**

**Our meeting in November is scheduled for  
November 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Archives Room**

**Come join us at a meeting to see what we are all about. You may be surprised how you will be blessed.**



**Confirmation Class** is well underway with Pastor Dora. The class is meeting every Sunday to learn, discuss, and explore their faith both as Christians, and more specifically, as Methodists. The class will later be confirmed into the church as members to further profess their commitment to the church.

**Senior High MYF** has been meeting on Sundays, too, delving into the *Thirty Questions* book as well as just fun catch up time. We need **volunteers** to help with lessons and/or activities for the youth to do in the coming weeks. If you are willing to help plan an outing (a scavenger hunt maybe?) or a meal together (progressive dinner perhaps?) or even just some good old fashioned board games (anybody up for Jenga?!), please call the church office or let Nikki Ewing or Lindsay Moore know.

Yours in Christ,  
Nikki Ewing



PRAYER MINISTRY

***A SPECIAL TIME  
FOR PRAYER!***

Did you ever come to church and get ready to leave with the feeling that you need just a little more strength or encouragement? Yes, maybe the altar was opened for prayer during the last hymn, but that meant you had to walk there in front of everyone. You really didn't want to do that. *So you just let it go...*

Don't let that happen again. God is waiting for you and He is there ... just know that!

Pastor Dora and a Prayer Partner will be available to pray with you in private. Each Sunday morning immediately after the worship Pastor Dora will be in the parlor as soon as she finishes greeting people and a Prayer Partner will be in the Archive Room beside the preschool Sunday school room. They will pray with you and stand with you in lifting your prayer concerns to the Lord.

All prayers will be confidential and will be prayed with tender care and compassion. Don't hesitate to come and agree with your prayer partner in prayer.



**Thank You** to everyone for your many prayers, cards and calls following the loss of my son, James Lee Ellerbe. Please continue to lift us in your prayers.

Velva Ellerbe and Family



**IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE  
DUNCAN CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT DINNER**



We all have our own cherished family traditions and the *Christmas Candlelight Dinner* is one of Duncan Memorial's great traditions.

If you have not had the chance to attend, **this is your year** to join us.

**For those of you who are new to the Duncan family**, this is a sit-down family-style Christmas meal of turkey and dressing, rice and gravy, green beans, cranberry salad, rolls, tea and coffee. And, the highlight of the meal is the long table of all kinds of luscious homemade desserts.

We will have twenty tables, each decorated for Christmas by a different hostess. Each will be decorated in a different Christmas décor only restricted by the imagination of the hostess. You cannot begin to imagine all the different ways a table can be decorated until you see all the unique décors along with dinnerware, flatware and crystal.

The Duncan youth will be your servers. Once everyone is seated and food is blessed, the meal and fellowship begin.

Plan to join us. Doors will be open at 5:00 for you to **come early to view all the table décors** before you sit at your designated table.

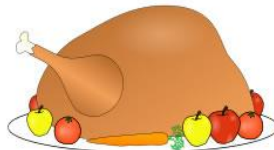
**Meal begins at 6:00 p.m.**

**Sunday afternoon, December 15<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center.**

(See next page for other information)



We need 12 turkeys (12-14 lb.) for the Christmas Candlelight Dinner on December 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate a turkey, please contact Louise Walters 843-546-6008 or call the church office. Deadline for delivery to church is December 8<sup>th</sup>.



**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.**

**Would you like to join in on the fun and fellowship to make this a success?**

**DONATE YOUR TALENTS!  
DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU CAN DO?**



**Here is how you can join in on the fun!!**

- ❖ **We Need 20 Hostesses, each to decorate a table.**  
(Each table can be decorated in any Christmas décor or color scheme – Use your imagination!  
Includes your dinnerware, glassware and silverware)
- ❖ **Make your reservations for seating now – We need 160 participants to enjoy a lovely evening.**
- ❖ **We need Volunteers to provide homemade mouth-watering desserts for our dessert tables.**
- ❖ **Fantastic Youth are needed to be servers.**
- ❖ **Volunteers are needed for Kitchen Crew to prepare the delicious meal.**
- ❖ **Clean-Up Volunteers are needed to relieve the Kitchen Crew.**


**To make reservations or volunteer, contact  
Mona Floyd at 843-546-6008 or call the church office.**



**DUNCAN MEMORIAL  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**NOVEMBER 2019**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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	<p>Christmas Shoebox Collection will be November 3<sup>rd</sup> – November 24, 2019. Pick up your boxes from the back hall beginning after church November 3<sup>rd</sup>.</p>					
<p><b>3</b> 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 Choir Practice 11:00 Morning Worship</p> <p>5:00 UMYF &amp; Confirmation Class for 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> Graders</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b> 10:30 Loula Ford Circle (FH)</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>5:30 Children 5:30 Bible Study w/Dora 6:15 Wonderful Wed Meal 7:00 Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>9</b></p>
<p><b>10</b> 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 Choir Practice <b>CONSECRATION SUNDAY</b> 11:00 Morning Worship followed by Soup &amp; Cornbread Luncheon 5:00 UMYF &amp; Confirmation Class for 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> Graders</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>  <p><b>VETERANS DAY</b></p>	<p><b>12</b> 10:00 Nurture/Outreach (Archives) 1:00-2:30 Stephen Ministry Supervisory (FH) 7:00 Cannon-Price Circle (FH)</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>5:30 Children 5:30 Bible Study w/Dora 6:15 Wonderful Wed Meal 7:00 Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p>
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<p><b>24</b> 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 Choir Practice 11:00 Morning Worship</p> <p>5:00 UMYF &amp; Confirmation Class for 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> Graders</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p><b>Volunteers Needed to Help Set Up Chrismon Trees in the sanctuary</b> Contact Melanie Daniels 843-546-7932</p>	<p><b>26</b> 9:30 Volunteers for Newsletter</p>	<p><b>27</b> Prayer Vigil 9am-4pm (Sanctuary)</p> <p><b>Office Closes at 1:00 p.m.</b></p> <p>No Wonderful Wednesday Activities</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>  <p><b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</b></p> <p><b>Office Closed</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>



**Daylight Savings Time Ends**

Move clocks back one hour



**Shoebox Deadline**