

THE BRANCHES

"I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing." JOHN 15:5



**Cedar Creek
BAPTIST CHURCH**

A Letter From The Pastor:

Our summer together at CCBC has already been an exciting one! We saw tremendous success in our Vacation Bible School. So many of our teachers, workers, and volunteers gave so much of their time, energy, and love to ensure that our children were safe and they were introduced to Jesus as the Light of the World. So many gospel seeds were planted into little hearts and minds during VBS. I am so proud to serve a church that believes so strongly in the next generation. It is up to us to teach and train our children to continue the work that was given to us. Thank you for your generosity and your cheerful giving to the work of the ministry at CCBC. We are so excited to begin our long-awaited renovations in our children's ministry area. The Lord continues to richly bless our efforts because of your faithful giving! One thing I've been thinking about the past few weeks is: don't let the hazy days of summer become the lazy days of summer. Because of vacations, travel, or other activities of summer, we can get so focused on "downtime" that our walk with the Lord begins to take a "downturn". The Bible clearly teaches that there are seasons of life in which we need to slow down and take some time to renew, refresh, and relax. But even while we slow down a bit in our schedules, we ought not slow down in our spiritual walk. It's important to slow down during summer only to be reminded of God's all-sustaining grace in your life. Summer is a great time to be reminded of how much God has blessed you. It's the perfect time to see the "big picture" of your life. Take a step back during the summer and give thanks for all that God has done in your life. We have been so blessed to live in a country where we can follow Jesus in freedom. Others may criticize the USA, and we are certainly not perfect, but we can be thankful for 250 years of God's blessings. It's a reminder to be in prayer for our country that we would rediscover our love and fear for the Lord as our God. May the Lord bless you in July! Thank you for your love and support of our family.

Pastor Andy



A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated to our VBS 2026 mission project benefiting Christian Assistance Bridge (CAB). Because of our VBS kids, and generosity from our church family, we collected approximately 525 non-perishable food and household items to help individuals and families in need within our community.

Your willingness to give is a wonderful reflection of Christ's love in action. Every item donated will help CAB continue its mission of providing assistance and encouragement to those facing difficult circumstances. Thank you for partnering with us to make a difference in the lives of others. We are grateful for your support and the impact these donations will have throughout the Blythewood community.

DEACON SCHEDULE

5th	Randy Bolton
12th	Steve Rabon
19th	Andy McGown
26th	Joe Clay

BBQ, Burgers, & Bingo

Join us for BBQ, Burgers & Bingo on **Sunday, July 12th at 6:00 PM**. Join us for a fun evening of great food, fellowship, and bingo. We hope you will join us!

FARM TO TABLE

Men! We hope you will join us for our next Farm to Table! Join us on **Monday, July 20th at 6 pm** at Fabel Farms.

GRIEF SHARE

Our fall session for Grief Share group will begin meeting on **Thursday, August 13th at 6:00 pm**. Grief Share is a support group that is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Online registration is now open for this session!

Columbia Fireflies Faith & Family Night!

Join us on **Saturday, August 22nd** for the Columbia Fireflies vs. Augusta Green Jackets game at 6:05 PM.

Tickets are \$10 each and we have reserved 30 tickets. The evening will include Faith & Family Night activities, featuring the ZOOperstars!, a pre-game concert, and post-game fireworks.

Ticket payment is due by August 16th. Email ccbcworship1@gmail.com for more information and to reserve your tickets.

July BIRTHDAYS

1 st	Abigayle McEntire
2 nd	Lee Riley
3 rd	Bill Jones
7 th	Tucker Smelser
9 th	Karen Hixon
10 th	Rebecca Giancana
12 th	Randy Corn, Sr
15 th	Louisa Garzoni
15 th	Reed Stephens
24 th	Jacob Hobgood
29 th	Loraine Hobgood
29 th	Ryan Perry
31 st	Justin Hobgood
31 st	Isaac Moore

CCBC NEWS: *THE BRANCHES*

JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
			6 PM Bible Study / Youth 6:45 PM Adult Choir			4TH OF July
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9:00 AM Coffee & Fellowship 9:15 AM LifeGroups 10:30 AM Morning Worship	10:00 AM Prayer Mondays	10 - 11:30 AM "Jesus in Me" Women's Bible Study 6 - 7:30 PM "Jesus in Me" Women's Bible Study	6 PM Bible Study / Youth 6:45 PM Adult Choir			Mission 8:30 AM Women On Mission Meeting
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9:00 AM Coffee & Fellowship 9:15 AM LifeGroups 10:30 AM Morning Worship 6 PM BBQ, Burgers, & Bingo	10:00 AM Prayer Mondays 6 PM AMC Meeting 7 PM Deacons Meeting	10 - 11:30 AM "Jesus in Me" Women's Bible Study 6 - 7:30 PM "Jesus in Me" Women's Bible Study	6 PM Bible Study / Youth 6:45 PM Adult Choir			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9:00 AM Coffee & Fellowship 9:15 AM LifeGroups 10:30 AM Morning Worship	10:00 AM Prayer Mondays 6-8 PM Farm to Table at Fabel Farms	10 - 11:30 AM "Jesus in Me" Women's Bible Study 6 - 7:30 PM "Jesus in Me" Women's Bible Study	6 PM Quarterly Business Meeting 6:45 PM Adult Choir			
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION/ UPCOMING EVENTS

ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRY COUNCIL (AMC)

May 2026 recap

- The Deacons discussed church security and the need for a dedicated security team leader/coordinator.
- AMC members expressed mixed feelings about having a police presence on Sundays.
- The discussion shifted toward a broader focus on caring for the church body, including medical emergencies, children's safety, asset protection, and parking lot security.
- Members agreed to continue praying for leadership and development of the security ministry.
- Celebrated reaching the fundraising goal for the Children's Renovation Project.
- Contractor interviews are underway, with work expected to begin around July 1st. Plans for temporary office and classroom relocations are being developed.
- Agreed that the AMC Recap published in the church newsletter does not require additional approval.
- Reviewed draft job descriptions for church officers, committees, and service teams. AMC will provide feedback at the next meeting.
- Discussed providing financial statements at future AMC meetings.
- The Buildings and Grounds Committee recommended postponing the proposed portico project while the church focuses on the Children's Renovation Project.

Next AMC Meeting: Monday, July 13th at 6:00 p.m.

MORE INFO

For a list of upcoming events, to register for an event, or any other additional information, visit ccbcworship.org or <https://linktr.ee/ccbcworship>

RENOVATION UPDATE

Children's Ministry Renovations will begin at the end of June. To help everyone navigate during this transition, updated classroom assignments and location map will be available soon. The new class locations will begin Sunday, June 28th.

Please note that throughout the construction period, the restrooms, administration office, and children's ministry area will be inaccessible. The Tuten classroom, conference room, and choir room will still be accessible. We kindly ask for your patience, flexibility, and understanding as we work to improve these spaces for future ministry opportunities. Thank you for your cooperation as we adjust to these temporary arrangements.



- CURRENT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING:**
- RENOVATION AREA (INCLUDING BATHROOMS) WILL BE COMPLETELY INACCESSIBLE
 - TUTEN ROOM WILL REMAIN "AS IS" AND WILL BECOME ADMIN AREA / PASTOR ANDY'S OFFICE
 - THE CHOR ROOM WILL REMAIN "AS IS" AND WILL BECOME ADMIN AREA / PASTOR ANDY'S OFFICE
 - THE CONFERENCE ROOM WILL BE THE CATALYST CLASS SPACE ON SUNDAY. WILL STAY "AS IS" FOR MEETING/OFFICE SPACE DURING THE WEEK.
 - STORAGE ROOM 1 WILL REMAIN "AS IS"

- FELLOWSHIP HALL / SANCTUARY:**
- SPACE 1: TODDLER ROOM
 - SPACE 2: YOUTH ROOM
 - SPACE 3: CHILDREN'S CHURCH / 1ST - 3RD GRADE
 - SPACE 4: 4TH - 6TH GRADE
 - SPACE 5: NURSERY
 - SPACE 6: 4-5K / MISSION FRIENDS
 - SPACE 7: MARION CLASSROOM
 - SPACE 8: MOORE CLASS