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PASTOR'S ARTICLE

By Pastor Tom

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY OCTOBER 4, 2015 KICKS OFF OUR OCTOBER WORSHIP

Come celebrate the Lord's Supper in worship at Celebration on World Communion Sunday. World Communion Sunday emphasizes our unity in Jesus with believers throughout the world and invites us to share in efforts of peacemaking and justice with our brothers and sisters in Christ!

PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY -- God of field and fruit, of bread and wine, we give thanks for all we will receive at your communion table. Unite us with the divine, and unite us better with one another. Lead us to heal divisions, to welcome strangers, to treat all as family. Prepare us and send us out to care for creation and one another, as we follow in the redeeming way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING TO BE RECEIVED ON WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Perhaps you are asking what is the Peace & Global Witness Offering? — What we've known in the past as the Peacemaking Offering has been transformed into the **Peace & Global Witness Offering**. This new Offering will have a greater global reach, more significant impact, and bring peace to people through Christ.

The Peace & Global Witness Offering is received during the Season of Peace, which ends on World Communion Sunday. However, you can help sustain the important PC(USA) ministries and programs that are supported by this important Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. The online giving link is: https://www.presbyterianmission.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/PG100000/

How will our Gifts Be Used? -- A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice across the world. Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this Offering to sustain their local peacemaking ministries. Celebration has designated 25% of our Peace & Global Witness Offering to support the ministry of HELPING HAND which assists local families here in Horry County.

FIRST WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPERS BEGIN WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7 at 5:30PM — BRING A SIDE-DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE AND ENJOY GOOD FOOD, FELLOWSHIP AND A PROGRAM

The Hospitality Team at Celebration will be providing the meat and drinks for our FIRST WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP SUPPER on Wednesday, October 7 at 5:30PM and we invite YOU to BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT to share with others. These meals not only offer us great food, they also offer us a great time of table fellowship and an opportunity to get to know one another better as we share the stories of our lives. We also have a brief program planned following supper. Farrah Dickerson, Director of NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR a Ministry of Grace here in Horry County, will explain their mission and ministry to us and help us know how area Volunteers help meet the transportation needs of local Seniors.



Pastor Tom Dendy

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SESSION UPDATE

By Nancy Torcivia

Holy Communion will be served October 4.

Next Session Meeting is Sunday, October 18 at 12:30pm

The Session met for their monthly stated meeting on September 16.

Here's what is happening with the Session:

- Jan Coulter shared the new brochures for Planned Giving that will be distributed as the Endowment program is rolled out in October.
- Entertainment coupon books are available for 2016 for a cost of \$20. They will be available prior to worship from Mary Ann Bowie.
- The Personnel Committee is continuing to work on annual evaluations for church staff. Updates have been made to positions in the Preschool.
- Adult Sunday School and a weekday class have commenced. On Sunday, the topic is "The Halleluiah Chorus" taught by Elder Dulin, and on Monday mornings at 10:30, a class called "Tool Time" helps to deconstruct the Bible and give useful study tools and is taught by The Rev. Becky Kiser.
- The Stewardship Campaign is underway.

 The Session was well pleased with
 the sermon preached by Rev. Bruce
 Ford from Presbytery.
- Several staffing changes in Preschool and Children's Church were discussed. The nursery currently has a paid employee, who has submitted her resignation. Since there are a small number of children in the nursery, it will be staffed going forward with volunteers. A new teacher for grades 1-5 will be hired who will teach with a volunteer from the congregation. It is possible we may be able to staff the position with one of our existing

Preschool teachers. Volunteer teachers are desperately needed for the nursery and Children's Church. Teachers volunteer for a one-month period so that we provide a level of continuity to the children.

PLEASE....volunteer! It is a small commitment for our young disciples. Contact Carol Butler at carolbutler65@gmail.com. In the Preschool, an Assistant Director position has been created to support administrative responsibilities and to serve as a substitute teacher when needed.

- The Youth Group will be hosting a Breakfast with Santa event in December. The Hospitality Committee will be assisting with food. Tickets will be sold to the event, and Santa will make an appearance!
- We need your pictures for the new website! Any picture of church folks socializing or doing good deeds are much appreciated. Email them to torcgrif@sccoast.net.
- Meetings with sign vendors continue. Several renderings have been received and financial considerations are being reviewed.
- The Nominating Committee is in place, co-chaired by Elders Baker and Torcivia, with members Barbara Barranco, Cecilia Evans, and Scott Sinnet. Pastor Tom will serve in an ex officio position. The Committee will be looking to God for guidance in seeking leaders for Celebration. Please pray hard and listen for God's call to you. If you are interested in serving, forms will be available in the Narthex in the coming weeks.
- If you order through Amazon, please go to smile.amazon.com when you place your order and select Celebration Presbyterian Church and

- Amazon will make a donation to the church on qualifying purchases.
- On Saturday, November 7, the Horry County Government and Keep Horry Beautiful will be conducting their countywide clean up, and the Carolina Forest Recreation Center has been designated for the postclean up gathering. They are expecting a very large crowd and have asked permission to use our parking lot for overflow parking. The Session voted to approve the request.
- Two new storage units are now on church property. They are being painted and having shelves installed. Storage is a major consideration for the church, and the additional units are a great help to the Church and Preschool.
- A church-wide game night sponsored by the Youth Group has been approved for October 9 from 7-9pm and will be followed by a youth "lock-in". The entire congregation is encouraged to come out for an evening of game playing. You may bring your favorite game with you. Please support our Youth!!
- A motion was approved for the formation of a task force in January 2016 to explore and bring recommendations to the Session relating to our property site plan, the feasibility of expanding the building or looking at alternative building possibilities, to research fund raising professionals to assess a giving campaign, and discuss the possibility of reassessing our current mortgage. With the property finally cleared, decisions about drainage and plantings must be made. The intention is to plan for the future, which will be an ongoing process.

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THE NEXT
BREAKFAST
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OCTOBER 16
AT THE OLYMPIC
FLAME
9AM

BREAKFAST BUDDIES

By Pat Teal

The Breakfast Buddies did not meet in July in time to make the deadline for the newsletter.

The Breakfast Buddies will meet on October 16 at the Olympic flame. Judy Leonard will be our hostess. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex if you will be able to join us.

We have a wonderful time with good fellowship, and of course, good food. If you have never joined us, now is the time!



CELEBRATION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OUR IDENTITY STATEMENT

We are Christ followers who are open, accepting, loving and welcoming to all!

OUR MISSION is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, Prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!

OUR PURPOSE is to Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching, and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.

LADYBUG LUNCHEON

By Carol Butler

THE NEXT
LADYBUG
LUNCHEON WILL
BE AT
GERSHON'S NY
DELI
ON THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 1
12NOON



Our September luncheon was held at LongHorn Steakhouse and Carol Stepanek was our hostess. Many thanks to Carol for making the arrangements.

There were 17 ladybugs in attendance. We welcomed our newest ladybug, Frances Mehalick, who has been attending Celebration with her husband Joseph for some time now. Pat Teal brought along her friend Janet Sinclair and Judy Leonard brought her friend Rachel Codovious. We were also happy that Sharon Hills could make it. Norma Jean Markiewicz could not be there as she was under the weather.

The food and the service were very good. Some had leftovers to take home as the portions were very generous.

There were so many conversations going on that it was hard to keep up with them. Pat Teal was still mostly silent from her hoarseness, but she still managed to be a little frisky!!!

With the money in our kitty and what we collected this day, we all agreed to donate \$150.00 to Shepherd's Table in Sally Herstine's name.

We discussed going to Pier 14 Restaurant for our next lunch. After taking a look at their limited lunch menu, and having read an excellent review in last week's Kicks insert from the Sun News, I made an executive decision.....

The next lunch will be Thursday, October 1 at noon at Gershon's NY Deli, located at 3140 US Business 17 in Murrells Inlet, just north of Inlet Square Mall. Sign up in the Narthex if you know you can make it. Let me know if you need a ride. All Ladybugs, their friends and family (female of course) are invited.....hope to see you there.

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Youth of Celebration

HE~BREWS CAFÉ
IS NOW OPEN
ON THE 2ND
AND 3RD
SUNDAY OF
EACH MONTH

YOUTHNEWS

By Cecilia Evans and Jackie Sinnet

The Youth and their parents had a great planning session on September 13. While the youth played Corn Hole, the parents set up for the hot dog lunch. Activities were planned for the remainder of 2015.

Our first event will be a <u>church</u>
<u>-wide Game Night</u> hosted by
the Youth. Please plan to join

us on Friday night, October 9, from 7-9pm for a night of fun and games. All adults and children 3rd grade and above are invited to participate. At the conclusion of Game Night, the youth will stay for the ever popular Lock-In. Parents can pick up the youth by 9am on Saturday.

November will bring Belk Charity Days, a Military Appreciation Card making event, and present wrapping in preparation for Breakfast with Santa, December 5. Breakfast will be hosted by the Youth from 9-11am. Pre-registration is required. Please see Cecilia or Jackie for more information.



It's time to collect SANTA'S SNEAKERS for male and female teens. Our goal is to collect 150 pairs of athletic shoes by Sunday, December 13. The Salvation Army will distribute the shoes, along with the Socs for Santa that were collected earlier this year.

SAVE THE DATE LADIES

By Laurie Andrews



The annual Celebration Ladies Christmas Luncheon will be held at the Pine Lakes Country Club on Saturday, December 12, at 12pm. More information will be coming soon!

We are again asking those attending to bring an unwrapped gift for a child between the ages of newborn to 11 years old.



SESSION UPDATE CONT.

By Nancy Torcivia

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Clerk Torcivia has received information from Presbytery for the PC(USA) 2015 annual statistical report that must be completed online in early 2016. Your cooperation and support are appreciated as the numbers and statistics for this report are pulled together.

Additional volunteers are needed for Shepherd's Table. You may volunteer to come one time, or come back every three months. A hot meal is prepared at the Conway location by CPC volunteers. The meal is served to the homeless and working poor population in Conway. This is an excellent opportunity to help others. Contact Nancy Torcivia at torcgrif@sccoast.net if you would like to join a team.

Generative discussions continued on our book about becoming a Sailboat Church – powered by the Holy Spirit. The Session is very devoted to this time and has grown spiritually as we continue to seek the Kingdom of God here at Celebration Church. The love shown among the members of the congregation is a source of great joy for us all.

Remember to pray The Prayer of Jabez. When we all pray together, great things happen in our church. Blessings to you all.

VOLUNTEERS SERVING THIS MONTH

Elder of the Week

Oct 4—Bernadine Lamar

Oct 11—Nancy Torcivia

Oct 18—Terry Baker

Oct 25—Mary Ann Bowie

Liturgist

Oct 4—Laurie Andrews

Oct 11—Peg Speidel

Oct 18—Karen Williams

Oct 25—Carol Butler

Visitors Table/Greeter

Oct 4—Barbara Barranco

Oct 11—Heidi Cherry

Oct 18—Linda Miller

Oct 25—Priscilla Mulligan

Ushers for October

Pat Teal, Donna Woodard, Corey Jacobs,

Margaret Reeder

Nursery Melanie Mosley and

Oct 4-Donna Woodard

Oct 11—Donna Woodard

Oct 18—Vicki Jacobs

Oct 25-Vicki Jacobs

Pre K – Kindergarten Children's Church Mary Kait Jones and

Oct 4—Mary Ann Bowie

Oct 11-Karen Williams

Oct 18—Sharon Hills

Oct 25—Cindy Bramble

Children's Church Grades 1-5

Carol Mitchell

Sound Board

Oct 4—Harvey Dulin

Oct 11-Neil Carter

Oct 18—Harvey Dulin

Oct 25-Neil Carter

Media Shout

Oct 4-Katrena White

Oct 11—Bernadine Lamar

Oct 18-Katrena White

Oct 25—Bernadine Lamar

Communion (full service)

Bernadine Lamar, Roy Andrews, Nancy

Torcivia, Jeanne Bredbeck

Thanks to each of YOU for your Abundant Giving, Abundant Living and Shared Stewardship in support of the ongoing mission and ministry of Celebration Presbyterian Church!

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COOPERATIVE CHRISTMAS MUSICAL - SAVETHE DATE! Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 7:00PM

D n ht D The Celebration Presbyterian Church choir will be joining voices with the choirs of Kingston Presbyterian Church and St. Anne's Episcopal Church for a cooperative Christmas Musical hosted at Kingston Presbyterian Church in Conway. The three choirs will come together with Long Bay Symphony members and directors Sarah Abushakra, Suade Anderson and Bradley Hardee at the piano, organ and podium for this wonderful night of Christmas music. Please SAVE THE DATE 12/16/15 @ 7PM and plan to join us!

ATTRACTIONS BOOKS ARE HERE!!!!!

2016 **ATTRACTIONS BOOKS ARE** AVAILABLE NOW

Celebration is once again selling the Attractions Dining and Value Guide for 2016. They are available now.

You can begin using the coupons when you purchase them and throughout 2016. These make excellent gifts also. The cost is \$20 per book. Please see Mary Ann Bowie to get your book on Sundays, or come into the office Monday-Thursday 9-2 to pick one up.

The Grand Strand 2016 book contains \$6,756 in savings!



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BIRTHDAYS FOR OCTOBER

Take a moment to wish those who have a birthday this month birthday wishes or send them a card.

If your birthday is not listed in your month, please contact Linda in the office to be included.

Oct 4—Anna Vaupel

Oct 5—Riley Resnick

Oct 12—Paula Jansson

Oct 13—Marilyn Wallace

Oct 17—Betsy Hughes

Oct 18-Laureen Walsh

Oct 19—Pat Teal

Oct 24—Andrea Dendy Oct 30—Mary Ann Bowie



HOSPITALITY

By Laurie Andrews

I would like to thank all the individuals who signed up to bring in food for our coffee hour before the service. Some people commented that when they went to sign up all the dates were taken. I'll let you know when it's time for the next sign -up. All of you have made my job easier on Sunday mornings and I truly appreciate that!!

Your Hospitality Committee will be hosting three First Wednesday Fellowship Suppers for the fall beginning at 5:30pm so please mark your calendars. They are October 7, November 4, and

December 2. These suppers are a great way for people to visit and get to know each other on a more personal level than Sunday services provide.

For the October 7 supper, we will be providing the meat, which will be ham, meatloaf and cranberry chicken. We are asking the congregation to bring either a hot or cold side dish or a dessert to share. Farrah Dickerson, from Neighbor to Neighbor, will be giving a short presentation on this community program that might be a benefit to some in our congregation as well as a volunteer

opportunity for others. There is a sheet on the counter in the Narthex where you can sign up so we know how much meat to provide. We hope you will be able to join us!

Our committee currently has six members and we are always looking for more! We meet once a month and are always looking for new ideas. If you're interested in a fun group, please contact Laurie Andrews at 843-957-1991 or royandrews727@hotmail.com.

PRESCHOOL

By Susan Spraker



It is hard to believe that we are already into the second month of school. The year started out great and hasn't let up since. We have welcomed the largest number of new faces to our preschool family.

This month we will be taking our first field trip. On October 5 we will be off to Thompson Farm for a fun-filled day with the farm animals and a hayride. All of the children always look forward to this trip. The end of the month will be fun for everyone. On October 29 and 30 we will all enjoy our classroom Halloween Parties. Party days are always exciting in preschool. All of the children should have a great Halloween this year since it falls on a Saturday and they can stay up later to trick or treat.

This year we added two new staff members to our CPP family. Ms. Jackie is working with Ms. Marsha in room 2 with our 3K class and we

welcomed back a teacher from the past, Ms. Ashley. Ms. Ashley worked at CPP and left to have her own children. Two children later she is very excited to return. She is working in room 4 with Ms. Maria. They are both a great asset to our program. If you get a chance, stop by and say hello.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable Halloween and keep away from the ghosts!

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PRAYER OF JABEZ —"Oh that You would bless Celebration, indeed, and enlarge our territory, in your name. That your hand would be with us and that You would keep us from evil, that we may not cause hurt to others." I Chronicles 4:10 (Adapted for Celebration)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 LadyBug Luncheon at Gershon's NY Deli 12noon	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY Adult SS 9:15am Worship 11am Peace and Global Witness Offering	Bible Study "Tool Time" 10:30am Preschool Field Trip	Quilters 10am	Men's Breakfast IHOP 8am 1st Wednesday Fellowship Supper 5:30 pm Program 6pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm		Church-wide Game Night hosted by the Youth Group 7-9pm Youth Lock-in following game night	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
ENDOWNMENT SUNDAY Adult SS 9:15am Worship 11am	COLUMBUS DAY Bible Study "Tool	Quilters 10am	Choir Rehearsal 7pm		Breakfast Buddies at The Olympic Flame	
He~Brews Café for Youth	Time" 10:30am Preschool Closed				9am	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 11am He~Brews Café for Youth SESSION 12:15pm	Bible Study "Tool Time" 10:30am	Quilters 10am	Choir Rehearsal 7pm			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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PASTOR'S ARTICLE CONTINUED

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2015 IS ENDOWMENT EMPHASIS SUNDAY AT CELEBRATION

On Sunday, October 11, Olanda Carr, the Ministry Relations Officer for the Presbyterian Foundation's Eastern Region will be a guest speaker at Celebration. Olanda works with congregations to create a culture of generosity, offers seminars and workshops, develops gift and fundraising plans for ministries, and provides coaching to finance, stewardship and endowment committees. Olanda shares his call to the Foundation, "God calls us each day to do new and exciting things. I believe my service with the Foundation is such a call, and it provides me with an opportunity to further God's kingdom and the mission of the PC (USA)". Olanda has guided our Celebration Endowment Team in developing guidelines for and establishing our very own Endowments Funds. Olanda will help us consider various means of lifetime giving as well as planned/estate giving that can help to sustain the ongoing mission and ministry of Celebration far into the future.

Save your **IHOP** Restaurant receipts and turn them in to the church office. IHOP is giving back to the church a percentage of your total bill. Eat at IHOP and in turn support Celebration. Thank you in advance.