



NOVEMBER 2018

PASTOR'S ARTICLE

By Tom Dendy

November is Time for Harvest and Thanksgiving and Celebration of Seven Years Together in Ministry!

Dear Friends of Celebration, This month I'm borrowing and adapting the Apostle Paul's words from **Philippians 1:1-11** to express my deep gratitude to God and each of you and my prayers for us all as we complete our seventh year of shared ministry together at Celebration Presbyterian Church in the Carolina Forest Community of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Love and Thanks to You ALL – **Pastor Tom**

Pastor Tom, servant of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are Celebration Presbyterian Church, with the elders and deacons: ²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.

⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my family and personal struggles and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus.

⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

2018 has been a year of challenge for us as we have embraced our financial independence after 15 years of subsidy and support from the New Harmony Presbytery. We are learning to stand strong together as faithful stewards who are living and giving faithfully to undergird and support the ongoing mission and ministry of Celebration Presbyterian Church. We have lived close in our monthly income and expenses. Summertime saw our participation and offerings drop off a bit as people traveled and recreated. Fall is allowing us to catch up some both in our giving and our worship and program participation. Like the story of *The Little Engine that Could*, that pressed on, in spite of steep inclines and setbacks saying "I think I can," and then, "I Know I Can," together "We Know We Can" help meet the financial and programmatic needs here at Celebration both in 2018 and for the coming years as well. God is with us and continues to bless us as we lean in and trust GOD at a deeper and deeper level to show us and guide in the way of Jesus Christ that is uniquely ours in mission and ministry to each other and to our larger community and world.

In closing, I'm sharing a hymn for our shared celebration of THANKS-GIVING here at Celebration Presbyterian Church. It is **NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD** written by Martin Reinkart.

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, to keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills of this world in the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.



Pastor Tom Dendy

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Youth of Celebration

THE SECOND AND
THIRD SUNDAY
OF EACH
MONTH IS OUR
HE~BREWS
COFFEE CAFÉ

YOUTH

By Sheila Tomlin

We welcome Sheila Tomlin who is leading our youth program this year and look forward to news of their coming programs and activities in upcoming newsletters.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS

By Ken Krenzer



Join us Wednesday night, 5:30pm, November 7, for a Potluck Dinner, with your favorite red, white or blue dish to share. And if you can wear red, white or blue.

The program will be presented by the Blue Star Mothers. All are invited.



THANK YOU VETERANS!



Join us on Wednesday, November 7th @ 5:30pm

To honor those who have served.

Bring a red, white or blue dish to share.

Program by Blue Star Mothers



CELEBRATION'S TIMES OF NEED MINISTRY IS HERE FOR YOU

Hello, I'm Nancy Thornburgh and I am the Coordinator for the TIMES OF NEED MINISTRY here at Celebration. The TIMES OF NEED MINISTRY makes calls, takes food, sends cards to our friends who are sick, recovering from hospitalization, have a new baby, have suffered the loss of a loved one, or who are unable to come to church. TIMES OF NEED MINISTRY also furnishes food for receptions after Memorial services.

Since I am coordinating these efforts I need your help. **If you know of anyone who needs our services, please call the church office (843-903-0308) and talk to Pastor Tom, or to Linda Berry and they can pass the information along to me...OR,** you can call me directly, **Nancy Thornburgh, at (989-798-1782),** or talk to me on Sundays at church.

*ALSO, if you would like to be part of the TIMES OF NEED MINISTRY please let me know and I will let you know how you can help.

I appreciate all of your help with this, since I don't know all of you personally.....yet!

GOD GAB

By Cecilia Evans



GOD GAB IS a time of fellowship with other church members and friends. It is also a time of uplifting discussion on a Bible verse.

The next meeting is Monday, November 12 at the Grumpy Monk on Hwy 501. All are welcome to attend!



Fall On Broadway *November 3, 2018, 7pm*

Tickets are \$20 per person and still available. Local talent will be presenting songs from Broadway. We have great raffle baskets and silent auction items for you to buy tickets and bid on. Christmas is just around the corner and there are items that will make great Christmas gifts.

Bring your friends and plan to join us on Saturday, November 3rd. Tickets are available from the church website or at the door.

A portion of the proceeds from this event will go to local Hurricane Florence relief efforts.

GIVING ENVELOPES

By Terry Pettijohn

Celebration Presbyterian Church will be providing giving envelopes to everyone who gives to the church. What are giving envelopes? Do we have to use them? Who will get them? How do they work? Do they cost anything? How will they help us? When will we get them?

Giving envelopes are simply envelopes (length of a dollar bill or a check) that you can use to put your offering in each week. There are 52 envelopes in a box. Each envelope has the date on it to make it easy to remember to use them. It also has the church name and logo on it.

The giving envelopes will be distributed to each giving unit (often a family but not always) during Advent season in preparation for 2019. Anyone who does not get them but wants to use them can notify the church office. They are not mandatory, and if you prefer to put cash or checks directly in the offering plate, you are more than welcome to do so. You are encouraged to use the envelopes whether or not you pledge. The envelopes will make it easy to put your offering in, and also serve as a reminder of the offering as you are preparing to come to church.

We are going to try using them for 2019 and evaluate how people like them. Hopefully they will help us all as we give our treasures to the Lord. Additional details will be provided as we get closer to Advent in December.



Don't forget Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 4 at 2am. "Fall" back one hour before bed on Saturday Night!

BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER

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, please let Linda Berry in the office know.

3—Talita Ikahihifo Bender
8—Karolyn Davey
10—Kasey Watson
10—Donna Woodard
11—Missy Kiser
19—Gail Alexander
19—Elijah Tiani

20—Bob Miller
21—Thomas Bender
21—Martha Schmidt
22—Ken Deubler
22—Carol Mitchell
25—June Marcus
26—Tiffany Dunn



SPECIAL OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Thank you for your support of our Special Offerings

September 30—5th Sunday—\$1,382.00

Peace and Global Witness Offering—\$353.00

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for Hurricane Florence — \$1,535.00

CHURCH GROUNDS CLEAN-UP DAY

The heat of summer is finally gone and it's time to get our bushes and flower beds ready for winter. Actually, it's past our normal time for clean-up, but with two hurricanes, lots of rain and secondary growth spurts, it's been difficult to schedule a day.

So we're going to plan for **Saturday, November 10 at 9 am.** Please bring gloves, rakes, trimmers, or whatever you have and join us for some fresh air and fellowship. We are usually done by around noon. Thank you in advance for helping to beautify our church. Rick Thornburgh, Elder of Property

PRESCHOOL

By Susan Spraker



Well I can finally say we have started our school year! The children have adjusted well after our long break from the hurricane. I think everyone was just happy to finally get into a school routine. Our October was so much fun with our annual trip to Thompson Farm. We had around 200 people attend. We were lucky that the weather changed just in time for it to really feel like fall. The end of the month was spent celebrating Halloween. Everyone was so excited to share what they were dressing up as for the big day. Our parties this year were a big success.

One of our preschool moms has been diagnosed with breast cancer and will be starting treatment this week. With 3 small children in the house this will be a very hard time for the entire family. The preschool is collecting items to add to a basket for her. If you would like to donate gift cards or therapeutic items for the basket, please drop them off at the preschool office as soon as possible.

November will bring our annual Thanksgiving Feast to the preschool with turkey, sweet potato chips, cornbread muffins (provided by Ms. Jeanne) and a friendship fruit salad made from the fruit brought in by each of our students. Preschool will be closed November 21-23 for the Thanksgiving holiday. I hope everyone has a very Happy Thanksgiving.

LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON By Nancy Resnick



CELEBRATION LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

DECEMBER 1, 2018 AT 12PM

AT THE PINE LAKES COUNTRY CLUB

\$25 PER PERSON INCLUDES TAX AND GRATUITY

Meal includes your choice of entrée, a garden salad,
red skin potatoes, green beans, rolls, butter,
chocolate mousse with raspberry, iced tea and coffee

**Entrée Choices: Roast Beef, Broiled Flounder, or
Chicken Franchise**

**PLEASE SIGN UP ON SHEET IN THE NARTHEX ALONG WITH YOUR ENTRÉE
SELECTION. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CPC AND GIVE TO THE
CHURCH OFFICE OR NANCY RESNICK.**

**WE ARE ASKING EACH PERSON TO BRING AN UNWRAPPED CHRISTMAS GIFT
FOR EITHER A GIRL OR BOY, AGES BIRTH THROUGH 11 YEARS OLD.**

LADYBUG LUNCHEON By Carol Butler



Our September luncheon took us to *Doesn't Matter Restaurant* where we have dined once before. There were fourteen Ladybugs in attendance.

At the restaurant we took up a special collection for Trudy Miller, whose house flooded in Hurricane Florence. Donations at the restaurant plus additional monies given totaled \$250.00 I was able to give the money to Trudy two days later and she was truly grateful and thanks each and every one of the Ladybugs that gave. Thank you, ladies, as always for your generosity. As always the friendship, camaraderie and laughter makes for a fun outing.

Our next lunch will be Thursday, November 1, at *Jellie Bellie & Co.* which is located at 800 US 17 Business in Surfside Beach. If you plan to attend, the sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex. Let me know if you need a ride. All Ladybugs, their friends and family (female of course) are invited.....hope to see you there. Come join a bunch of fun Ladybugs!

Please note that this will be the last Ladybug luncheon in 2018 as our ladies Christmas luncheon will be held in December. A sign-up sheet for our January luncheon will be announced in the December newsletter and/or updates, and posted in the narthex during the month of December.

THORNWELL BUILDING TOMORROW'S FAMILIES TODAY

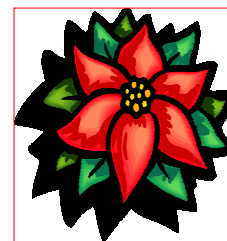


On Sunday, November 18, 2018, we will receive a special Thanksgiving Offering for Thornwell during morning worship. Founded as a Presbyterian ministry in 1875, Thornwell is a joyful Christian community offering hope and wholeness to children and families. Its goals are to provide loving homes for abused, abandoned and neglected children, to offer an opportunity for healing by providing proper healthcare and mental health counseling for every Thornwell child, and to offer Thornwell's children hope for a successful future by providing educational support and teaching self-advocacy. Remember to save your Box Tops for Education. They help purchase items for Thornwell children.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Celebrate the season by enhancing our sanctuary with a Christmas Poinsettia.

It is now time to place our order for the Christmas Poinsettias. This year we will be ordering a red poinsettia for \$10.00 per plant. The poinsettias will decorate the church for the Christmas season. Order forms will be available in the bulletins each Sunday in November. Deadline for orders will be November 25.



We will be collecting **new Sneakers for Santa** during the month of November. These will go with the socks we collected earlier this year that will be given to local children/youth through the Salvation Army. We would like to focus on middle and high school age children this year but you can also get smaller sizes for the younger children. Last year we collected 100 pairs and would like to meet or exceed that number this year.

POLAR EXPRESS

By Nancy Resnick

Wear your pajamas and join us for a night on the **Polar Express**.

Date: November 30, 2018

Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Cost: \$10.00 per child [Parents and children under 2 are free]

Celebration Presbyterian Church will be selling advance tickets on Friday on November 9th and November 16th. You can also purchase your tickets online at <https://celebrationpresbyterianchurch.org>

Activities include: Train rides, crafts, games, a visit with Santa with pictures, souvenir bell and pouch, light refreshments with hot chocolate bar and cookies, Polar express storytelling and much more.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 LadyBug Luncheon at Jellie Bellie & Co 12 noon	2	3 Fall on Broadway 7pm
4 Daylight Saving Time Ends 2am Adult Bible Study 9:15 Choir Rehearsal 10am Fellowship 10:15 Worship 11am Children's Church Nursery Holy Communion Financial Peace 6pm	5	6 Quilters 10:00 am	7 Potluck Dinner Blue Star Mother Veteran theme 5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm	8 Team E cooks at The Shepherd's Table	9	10 Church Grounds Work Day 9am
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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.

VOLUNTEERS SERVING THIS MONTH

Elder of the Week

Nov 4—Priscilla Mulligan

Nov 11—Terry Pettijohn

Nov 18—Nancy Resnick

Nov 25—Rick Thornburgh

Liturgist

Nov 4—Carla Baker

Nov 11—Kathy Wechter

Nov 18—Nancy Torcivia

Nov 25—Elizabeth Wills

Visitors Table/Greeter

Nov 4—Margaret Reeder

Nov 11—Linda Miller

Nov 18—Nanette Kelly

Nov 25—Joseph Mehalick

Pre K –Kindergarten Children's Church— Tonja Paolini

Children's Church Grades 1-5

Trudy Miller

Nursery

Nov 4—Vicki Simon

Nov 11—Donna Woodard

Nov 18—Betsy Hughes

Nov 25—Nanette Kelly

Media Shout

Nov 4—Bernadine Lamar

Nov 11—Katrena White

Nov 18—Bernadine Lamar

Nov 25—Katrena White

Sound Booth

Nov 4—Nicklaus McIlrath

Nov 11—Carol Butler

Nov 18—Carol Butler

Nov 25—Nicklaus McIlrath

Ushers for the month of November

Kerry and Nanette Kelly, Jerry and Jenny Taylor

Communion for November

Terry Baker, Bernie Pettijohn, Ken Krenzer, Priscilla Mulligan

WE LOVE
OUR VOLUNTEERS

If you cannot serve on your Sunday, please change with someone and let Linda know in the office. Thank you!