



## PASTOR'S ARTICLE

By Pastor Tom



Pastor Tom Dendy

### God You Spin the Whirling Planets

(Hymn #23 in our new *Glory to God* Hymnal)

In 1978 Jane Parker Huber wrote this wonderful hymn for the 1979 National Meeting of United Presbyterian Women, whose theme, "In the Image of God," is variously considered here as reflection, focus, distortion, and polishing for clarity.

Recently in worship we have focused on the mystery of our Triune God who is revealed to us in creative, redemptive and sustaining ways. Please read the text of the hymn and ponder what it means for us to bear God's image to the world and to reveal Christ everywhere and to everyone.

Verse one: God, You spin the whirling planets, fill the seas and spread the plain. Mold the mountains, fashion blossoms, Call forth sunshine, wind and rain. We created in Your image, would a true reflection be. Of Your justice, grace and mercy and the truth that makes us free.

Verse two: You have called us to be faithful in our life and ministry. We respond in grateful worship, joined in one community. When we blur Your gracious image, focus us and make us whole. Healed and strengthened as Your people, we move onward toward Your goal.

Verse three: God, Your word is still creating, calling us to life made new. Now reveal to us fresh vistas where there's work to dare and do. Keep us clear of all distortion. Polish us with loving care. Thus new creatures in Your image, we'll proclaim Christ everywhere.

Jane Parker Huber uses vivid imagery to describe the interplay of our lives reflecting God's image as we live out God's calling. The third verse has great application for us today. God does call each of us to new life and provides us with fresh views of where God would have us serve, bringing glory to God's kingdom. With God's help, we can stay focused while God polishes off our rough edges so that we might serve God more gloriously by proclaiming Christ everywhere.

**Are there places in your life where you would be uncomfortable bearing God's image or revealing Christ to others? How might God be polishing your rough edges to better reveal God's image within you?**

In closing let me share that June 15, 2016 marks the thirtieth anniversary of my Ordination to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church USA. Over the past thirty years of ministry and mission I have witnessed God's creativity in opening *new vistas where there is work to dare and do*. It was just such a creative call of God in 2011 that led me to this new vista where there is work to dare and do. I count myself truly blessed to be sharing the Christian journey with you here at Celebration Presbyterian Church and look forward the unfolding mission and ministry opportunities God has in store for us in the years to come!

PLEASE - Join us at Celebration this summer each Sunday for Worship and Education and Service and Fellowship!

May God bless you with time for rest, renewal and recreation!

Love, *Pastor Tom*

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## SESSION UPDATE

By Nancy Torcivia

Holy Communion will be served June 5.

Next Session Meeting is  
Monday, June 27 at 5:15 PM.

The Session met for their monthly stated meeting on Monday, May 16.

Following are the items the Session discussed:

Blessing of the Bikes was a success. One biker inquired about being baptized. Forty-five Bikers and ten Church Members attended.

Elder Coulter distributed reports to each committee with their spending to date compared to the budget. So far this year, we are on track with the budget.

The group reviewed the Preschool budget recommendation for the 2016-2017 school year. A motion passed to defer approving the budget until the audit is completed and the Personnel Committee has an opportunity to meet and review compensation recommendations.

The Mission and Outreach Committee is working on participating in the United Way Day of Caring in the fall. Church and charitable groups will gather on September 11 and go out into the community and perform various types of service projects.

Youth from the church will be attending Camp Pee Dee and Mountain Adventure Camp in Bryson, NC. On June 5, there will be a blessing and sending of the campers during worship.

Tickets are still available for a special Pelican's baseball game "Faith and Family Night" on June 26.

The church-owned riding lawn mower has been successfully repaired and is back in operation. We are blessed to have volunteers who are cutting the grass, thus saving the church the cost

of paying an outside contractor.

The Personnel Committee is working on employee evaluations for the staff.

The framing around our new entry door will be completed at the end of the Preschool year.

Gary Forrester from Clemson Extension met with the Community Gardening group. Discussions are ongoing to create a demonstration bed as a beginning to a community garden.

The Worship Committee is modifying the procedures for distributing communion and collecting the offering, so don't be alarmed if ushers follow a different path. Anyone who is an usher or is serving communion will be trained in the new procedures.

The Choir will take a break from Wednesday night practice, but will continue to sing some of their favorites during the summer months. Sarah Abushakra will be attending a Montreat Music Conference in June.

Elder Torcivia has been using Facebook ads to promote church activities. Please be sure to "like" our Facebook page *Celebration Presbyterian Church* and share our posts with your friends.

Our website, [www.celebrationpresbyterianchurch.org](http://www.celebrationpresbyterianchurch.org) has many great resources. All of our sermons are available for your listening pleasure! You can send messages to Church Staff and Elders and see all the events on the Church Calendar.

Celebration hosted a Cluster Meeting conducted by New Harmony and gave input to our Presbytery on the value of activities and services they provide.

At the May New Harmony Presbytery Meeting, Elder Lamar was recognized as a commissioner to the General Assembly of the PCUSA meeting in

June. Please share in our pride for Elder Lamar being selected, and pray for her as she represents our Presbytery at the General Assembly.

The Session approved the monthly asking from Presbytery for \$3,600 in financial support. We will receive support for the rest of this year and all of next year, then we will "be on our own" financially.

Concerns were expressed about the water retention in our "cleared" property. The Session will investigate the cost of having the land cleaned up to discourage mosquitoes and snakes.

Pastor Becky held an organizational meeting for the widows and widowers of the church in hopes of establishing a support/social group.

For Generative Time, the Session discussed a wonderful resource from our Presbytery "Seeking to be Faithful Together". The Session is committed to the guidelines provided on listening to one another, having peaceful discussions, and loving each other through times when we agree and times when we don't. It is a true blessing to be able to build Christ's kingdom with a Session committed to love and grace!

The Session recognizes with great joy Pastor Tom's birthday and the 30-year anniversary of his ordination on June 15. Please be sure to offer your congratulations to him!



## THE NEXT BREAKFAST BUDDIES WILL BE ON FLAPJACK'S



## BREAKFAST BUDDIES

*By Pat Teal*

Our group all met at one of our favorite restaurants, the Veterans Cafe. On the walls are pictures of our war heroes who fought for our freedom, past and present. How very proud we are of all of them.

Of course, being biker week, there were also some bikers, who I'm sure were in the

service also. Everyone was very pleasant and courteous. The food was good as always and the service excellent. Thank you Carol Butler for being our hostess.

Next month, June 17, at 9:00 am we will be meeting at Flapjacks at 2600 N. Kings Hwy. in Myrtle Beach. Judy

Leonard is our hostess. Please sign up in the front of the Narthex, so we can have a head count. Come one, come all and have a fun time.

## CAMP PEE DEE MEETING

*By Cecilia Evans*

Celebration will be hosting a forum /cluster meeting on Saturday, June 4, for the congregation to provide input on programming for Camp Pee Dee Retreat Center.

The camp is used for the youth summer camps and monthly

for Tuesday gatherings that host a guest speaker and a lunch for members of the New Harmony Presbytery.

The camp is in Bennettsville, SC and has the facilities to host retreats throughout the year. Please plan to join us from

10am—12pm on Saturday, June 4, to discuss Camp Pee Dee. Registration begins at 9:30am



## THE NEXT LADYBUG LUNCHEON WILL BE AT SAM SNEAD'S JUNE 2 AT 12NOON



## LADYBUG LUNCHEON

*By Carol Butler*

For our May luncheon we went to Damon's at the request of Norma Jean Markiewicz. It was her birthday that very same day.

There were 14 Ladybugs in attendance, plus one. Norma Jean was delighted to bring her daughter Elaine and granddaughter Gina to celebrate with her. The plus one was none other than our very own Pastor Tom who had been invited to come and see first-

hand what our Ladybug luncheons are all about. It was also nice to have Karen Williams back after a long absence.

We collected \$85.00 for charitable purposes. Laurie Andrews and Pat Teal even contributed even though they couldn't be there.

It was great fun to see Norma Jean so happy on her special day. She received several cards and a couple of gifts. It was

beautiful day and we had the back room to ourselves with a great view of the ocean.

The next lunch will be Thursday, June 2, at Sam Snead's on Route 501. Kris Zillioux will be your hostess. 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.

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



## YOUTH

By Cecilia Evans

Thank you to everyone who supported the youth and purchased Belk Charity Days tickets. Ashlyn and Katelyn worked the day of the event folding and bagging clothes. They were great ambassadors for the church being polite and friendly to the customers.

Belk Charity Days helps support the youth's summer

camp experience at Camp Pee Dee. This year we have six youth attending Mountain Adventure camp. The youth will have an adventurous week canoeing down the Pee Dee River and then travel to the Deep Creek Tube Center in Bryson City, NC. While in Bryson, they will have the opportunity to go whitewater rafting, journey along the

trails, enjoy the waterfalls and go tubing. While enjoying all these fun activities they will be discovering the "Secrets of the Kingdom: The Parables of Jesus". Please pray for our youth the week of June 12-17.

Save the date— the 2nd Annual Breakfast with Santa will be held on December 10.

## FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT / PELICANS

Faith and Family Night at the Myrtle Beach Pelicans is Sunday, June 26. Tickets are \$11 per person and they will be playing the Carolina Mud Cats at 6:05 pm.

The night includes an appearance by Dale Murphy, fireworks and much more!

There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway and there are a few tickets available. For more information, contact Laurie Andrews.

## HOSPITALITY

By Laurie Andrews

It was a beautiful day for our picnic at Myrtle Beach State Park. Forty-five people came for fun, food, fellowship along with sun and surf. If you haven't already signed up for the Pelicans baseball game on June 26, please do so

soon. Cecilia Evans has only a few tickets left for this family fun evening of baseball followed by fireworks.

Your Hospitality Team is already into planning your Fall activities. The first

one will be the First Wednesday supper on September 7th with a Key West, Jimmy Buffett theme. So start searching for your Caribbean style shirts and Parrotheads!

## MISSIONS WITH NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

By Laurie Andrews

I had the good fortune of picking up Mr. L. He is a very personable man, 92 years young. He volunteers twice a week at Grand Strand Hospital. Though he can no longer push patients around he helps in other ways. He says it's his way of keeping active and he

appreciates all the volunteers who either drive him to or from the hospital. I have booked several more rides and look forward to meeting other interesting Myrtle Beach seniors.

If you are interested in serving

Neighbor to Neighbor, please contact Laurie Andrews.



## VOLUNTEERS SERVING THIS MONTH

### Elder of the Week

June 5—Terry Baker  
June 12—Cecilia Evans  
June 19—Cheryl Dulin  
June 26—Ken Krenzer

### Liturgist

June 5—Kathy Wechter  
June 12—Nancy Torcivia  
June 19—Elizabeth Wills  
June 26—Laurie Andrews

### Visitors Table/Greeter

June 5—Lynn Bastian  
June 12—Jade Bender  
June 19—Priscilla Mulligan  
June 26—Priscilla Mulligan

### Nursery-Trudy Miller and

June 5—Vicki Jacobs  
June 12—Vicki Simon  
June 19—Leslie Eckert  
June 26—Betsy Hughes

### Pre K –Kindergarten Children's Church

Tonja Paolini

### Children's Church Grades 1-5

Mary Cait Jones

### Sound Board

June 5—Harvey Dulin  
June 12—Neil Carter  
June 19—Harvey Dulin  
June 26—Neil Carter

### Media Shout

June 5—Bernadine Lamar  
June 12—Katrena White  
June 19—Katrena White  
June 26—Katrena White

**Ushers** —Pat Teal, Donna Woodard, Corey Jacobs, Margaret Reeder

**Communion—June 5**—Tom Dendy, Joan Yates, Bo Yates, Becky Kiser, Paula Jansson



572 labels have been turned into to **Thornwell Home for Children**. These labels equal \$57.20 that can used for music lessons, musical instruments, laptops, and other extras. You don't have to spend any extra money to get these labels; they are found on products you use every day. Last year, Thornwell raised over \$6,000 with these labels.

When you have a label, such as a Campbell Soup label, you have to have the complete label that includes the complete bar code and the number of points.

So the next time you are cooking, cleaning or sneezing, check your box to see if there is a label and cut it out and bring it to church. There is a baggie on the bulletin board where you can place your labels.

## FINANCE

*By Jan Coulter*



There is now a permanent IRS rule that you may allocate part of your IRA distribution directly to the church or any other qualifying non-profit. If you are currently making a monthly withdrawal from your IRA you need to talk to your plan administrator about setting that up.

This distribution can be made even if you are not itemizing deductions. It becomes a non-taxable withdrawal direct to the recipient and therefore reduces your AGI on your tax return. This in turn can reduce the amount of Social Security that becomes taxable, and reduce your income taxes.

There are several ways this can be done: through a direct transfer to the church's account, by wire transfer or check payable directly to the church.

Please consider this option. Be sure to discuss this with your fund manager.





## BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

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, in the office, know.

1—Cheryl Dulin  
2—Alexis Tomlin  
3—Jack Galloway  
7—Marjorie Jones  
7—Terry Pettijohn  
7—Linda Berry  
8—Chelsea Bramble  
13—Elizabeth Wills  
14—Nancy Torcivia

15—Tom Dendy  
16—Ernest Clontz  
18—Barbara Barranco  
18—Karen Siewert  
27—Barbara Johnson  
28—Peg Speidel  
29—Patty Youngblood  
29—Mikayla Belyski



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

*By Carol Butler*

Coming up for children's church in June and July will be a combined class for the pre-k – Kindergarten and the grades 3-5 classes. This will be a music and movement class

featuring many Bible story songs. Ms. MaryCait and Ms. Tonja will be teaching this class and church volunteer assistants can take these two months off.

Regular classes will begin again in August.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

*By Carol Butler*

Get ready to hang ten as we catch the "Wave of God's Amazing Love" beginning Monday, August 1, from 6-8pm, through Thursday, August 4, from 6-8:15pm for children ages 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Come and meet Skipper, owner of the grooviest surf shop around, and his "crabby" friend Snappy. When we set

off from the Surf Shack, we'll be surfing our way through the waters to learn about how God creates, helps, loves, calms and sends.

There'll be lots of music, games, crafts, science experiments and more. Registration forms will be mailed approximately one month prior to the start of

VBS. Please register as soon as possible and drop off the form at the church office (Monday-Thursday from 9-2). You can also download a registration form from the church website, fill it out and email it to [carolbutler65@gmail.com](mailto:carolbutler65@gmail.com).

# JUNE 2016

**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  Men's Breakfast IHOP 8am	2  LadyBug Luncheon Sam Snead's 12noon	3	4  Camp Pee Dee Forum 10am-12pm
5  Bible Study Fellowship 10:30 Worship 11am <b>COMMUNION</b>  Blessing and sending of the youth to camp	6  Tool Time Bible Study 10:30am	7  Quilters 10am	8	9	10	11
12  Fellowship 10:30 Worship 11am He~Brews Café <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>	13  Tool Time Bible Study 10:30am	14  Quilters 10am <b>Flag Day</b>	15  Pastor Tom's birthday and his 30 year anniversary of ordination to ministry	16	17  Breakfast Buddies at Flapjack's 9am	18
Youth at Camp Pee Dee June 12-17						
19  Fellowship 10:30 Worship 11am He~Brews Café	20  Tool Time Bible Study 10:30am	21  Quilters 10am	22	23  Team C at The Shepherd's Table	24	25
26  Fellowship 10:30 Worship 11am Pasta with the Pastor 12:15pm Pelicans game 6:05 pm	27  Tool Time Bible Study 10:30am <b>SESSION 5:15pm</b>	28  Quilters 10am	29	30		



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## CELEBRATION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

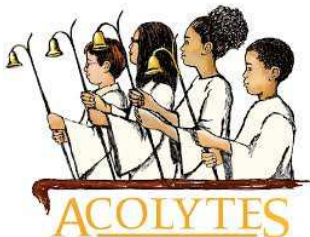
### OUR IDENTITY STATEMENT

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



The Mission Team will be collecting Socks for Santa during the month of July. These will taken to the Salvation Army in December with the sneakers we will collect later in the year.

We are collecting socks for school age children in all sizes and colors. There will be a box in the hallway in July for you to bring in your socks.



The Acolytes are coming...The Acolytes are coming....

Watch for more information soon.