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God's Grace, My Gratitude, OUR GROWTH



THE PALMETTO PALM READER

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STEWARDSHIP & GIVING

FROM THE PASTOR

PALMETTO is a generous congregation! We give to many worthwhile causes—and not just money! We give of our time, talent and finances.

We collected over \$3000 in on special offering for Haiti, and more than 20 people showed up on a hot Saturday in June to build steps for elderly folks in Cainhoy. It's part of our church DNA—we are a generous people.

One of my Lutheran colleagues recently talked about the difference between mere giving and stewardship:

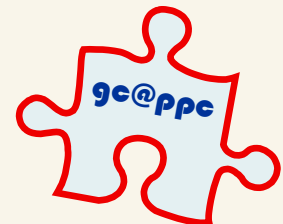
“Certainly it’s a nice thing to give to a need. And yes, if the Lord’s work is to be done through the church, there are indeed many legitimate needs to be met. And we’re all called to help meet these needs. . . . But there is a higher calling, a greater need, that lies within each of us who live life by the grace of God. It has to do with being in touch with the depth of gratitude within us and our personal need to give an ongoing, tangible expression of that gratitude through our regular and generous offerings of self—time, talent and treasure. Therein, I believe, lies the difference between just randomly giving to this or that need as opposed to **stewardship, which is a living, tangible witness of one of the glorious attributes of God—gracious giving.**”

We have much to be thankful and grateful for. The Lord has blessed PALMETTO in so many ways, and I suspect each family in this church has much to be thankful for too.

So my prayer is that each of us will move from giving to “worthwhile causes” to becoming true stewards—stewardship is not about giving; it’s about living. It is a special way of life!

Blessings,

Mike



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JULY WORSHIP

JULY 4th

"I Pledge Allegiance"

I Corinthians 4:1-5

(One worship service at 9:00)

JULY 11th

"A Thumbprint on the Chalice"

Luke 22:14-20

Communion (8:15 & 10:30)

JULY 18th

"Come to a Quiet Place and Get Some Rest"

Mark 6:30-34,53-56

Communion (8:15)

JULY 25th

"The Wages of Sin Is Death"

II Samuel 11:1-15

Communion (8:15)

MUSIC NOTES

July will be an exciting month of worship beginning with our July 4th service when we gather to celebrate the founding of our nation, a nation built on godly principles and spiritual foundations. The next four Sundays, there will be a noticeable change in our worship services. Our choir will be taking a well deserved and truly earned month long break. While we cannot truly replace that wonderful group of singers, we will be enjoying a variety of Christian musicians as they come to lead us in worship through music.

July 4 Patriotic Service

July 11 Sarah & Emily Carpenter, Violin & Piano

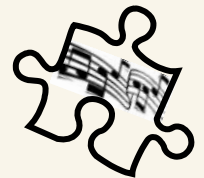
July 18 PPC Vacation Bible School Music

July 25 Kyle Babb, Saxophonist

August 1 Ashley Fabian, Vocalist

I hope you will be present when possible as we welcome these guests who desire to use their music to glorify our Lord.

With a song in my heart,
Crystal



A Note of Thanks

Rob and I are most grateful for all the kind expressions of sympathy shown to us following the loss of my dad. The cards, calls, notes, visits, food, flowers, memorials and prayers were all appreciated. It was so very comforting to have the love and support of friends at PPC at this sad time.

God Bless, Joye Davis

A WORD ABOUT GIVING—

THANK YOU for keeping current with your giving through the summer months.

—Sandra Powell, Finance Chair



COMING AUGUST 1ST
"HAT SUNDAY"

**In honor of "Miss" Martha—
everyone wear a HAT!**

Sunday, July 4th
One Worship Service
9:00 a.m.

No Sunday School or Children's Church

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CELEBRATING LIFE



Mark your calendars for PPC's Hands of Christ Distribution Event!

Tuesday, August 3 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Who do we need?

We need all of you actually! Specifically we are looking for 25 volunteers (adults and older youth) to help distribute clothing and school supplies to children; musicians, singers, or dancers to entertain parents and children waiting to receive clothing and school supplies (PPC's got talent....we know you do!); and anyone who can speak passable Spanish, to act as interpreters during the distribution.

Please contact Sallie Aldrich at aldrichsc123@gmail.com or call 284.8261 if you are interested in participating in this wonderful community outreach program!



Farewell Celebration for Gracie Young July 25th during the 10:30 a.m. worship service

Gracie, our nursery coordinator, has accepted a teaching position in Rock Hill, S.C., and July 25th will be her last day with PPC. We greatly appreciate her service to the families in THE ARK; she has helped us establish a nurturing environment for our "littlest" ones. Please stop by THE ARK to thank her for her service and to wish her CONGRATULATIONS!

SIGN UP NOW

connections

Join us Sunday, July 18th
at the home of
Rick & Angela Redden
for a poolside,
adult only get-together.

We'll begin at 4:00 p.m.
& the theme is

•• **MEXICAN** ••

*So bring an appetizer to share
and join in the fellowship.
(Lemonade and sodas will be pro-
vided, but feel free to bring your
favorite summer time drink.)*

We would love to have a
large group, so invite your
friends and all those that
are interested in learning
more about Palmetto!

Please RSVP to Beth at
taylor4@bellsouth.net
or sign up on the event form
at church.

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IN COMMUNITY

Congratulations to Chandler Hulsey!!!

Chandler has been selected to represent PPC on the Presbyterian Youth Council (PYC). She will attend a PYC



leadership retreat and help plan and lead both a fall and a spring high school Presbytery retreat for the youth within our presbytery. We are very proud to have her leadership and we know that she will be a faithful disciple.

PIZZA and PPC Youth

Rising 6th graders & Up

Join Angela for pizza and fellowship.
Lunch will be picked up for the first youth to arrive.

11:30 a.m.

June 29th at Brixx

July 20th at Guiseppi's

July 27th at church with Pizza Hut

August 3rd at Mellow Mushroom

August 10th at CiCi's

C2C Outreach Project

The C2C Outreach Project was a GREAT success! We built 5 sets of stairs for some very deserving residents in the Cainhoj area. We had a great time meeting these folks and we're so glad that we could provide some new stairs for their homes. Thanks to all of the volunteers that came out to help on the project. A special thank you goes out to Dennis Kelley & Buck Smyre for leading the project.



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SESSION REPORT—Julie Martin, Clerk

SESSION Highlights for June 21, 2010 Meeting

SAVE THE DATE

- Hands of Christ distribution day is Tuesday, August 3rd. Please sign up to help.
- Tailgate Sunday – September 26, 2010
- Trunk or Treat – October 30, 2010

REMINDERS/REQUESTS

- Looking for a Worship Team Co-Chair
- Looking for a Fellowship Co-Chair
- Please sign your children up for Vacation Bible School

ACTIONS TAKEN BY SESSION

- Heard a proposal for starting a preschool at the church
- Approved further negotiations with Life Management Centers to lease space from the church for tutoring
- Approved a Wedding Policy
- Communion will be served the first Sunday in August
- Will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive in August
- Approved a special “Hat” Sunday—August 1

Palmetto Health Hospice offers Pathfinders Grief Support —to the community at no charge

There is a monthly Grief Support Group meeting each **fourth Tuesday** on Daniel Island. A social worker and chaplain are present at each session, and it offers the opportunity to listen to and share with others who are dealing with grief.

Location: Providence Baptist Church
294 Seven Farms Drive, Room B-9
Daniel Island
Time: 6:30-8:00PM

get connected

Our theme this year is “Get Connected.” You have seen the puzzle pieces in previous newsletters. By now, some ministry team leader or elder has called to get you involved in some aspect of our ministry. Can you sing? Can you teach? Can you help with worship in some way or with Hands of Christ or some workday project at the church. The point is—if Palmetto is one big picture puzzle, we need all the pieces of the puzzle to be complete. The next time someone calls you, say “Yes.” Or the next time there is a bulletin insert for some activity—fill it out and *get connected!*



**American
Red Cross**

BLOOD DRIVE

We are planning Palmetto’s first blood drive. The Red Cross Blood Mobile will be here during the last week of August. We need at least **30 donors. Watch the bulletin & e-POST for more details.**

Community Offerings

Christian Cancer Support Group

Christ Episcopal Historic Church
Mt. Pleasant (Hwy. 17 N. at Long Point Road)

Whether a cancer patient, care giver, family member or survivor, come join a small casual group of caring “prayer warriors.” Don’t go through cancer alone!

P.S. We laugh a lot and only cry a little.

**Everyone Welcome
First Wednesday of each month at 11:45AM**

DCE CORNER

Angela's Angels



A great big THANK YOU to Heather Martel and the Children's Church team of volunteers.

get connected

with Adult Sunday School

The mission of Christian Education at PPC is to invite people of **ALL** ages to grow in the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ in a fun, positive, and nurturing environment. A church cannot function well without good adult education and we would like to have you join us this summer and "Get Connected". Currently, two adult Sunday School classes are offered: The Table and Study of Matthew. Come and check them out each Sunday at 9:15 AM.



Adults must learn in order to teach children.



Adults are the leaders in the church.



Adults use past experiences to shape future plans.



Adult learning is an ongoing event.



Adults learn through relationships & discussion.



Adults learn through hands-on projects within the church & community.



Adult attendance & consistent participation is important to the individual & the congregation.



Adults show they want to learn more through personal prayer and Bible study.

WINGS OF FAITH

Women's Christian Fiction Book Club

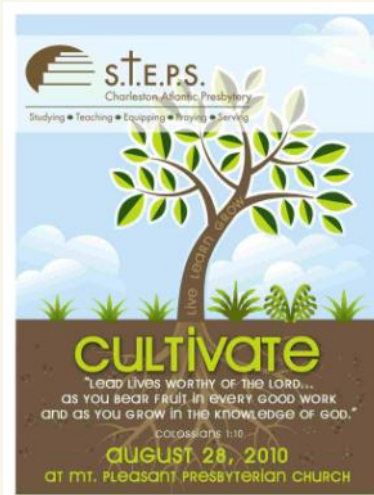
Enjoy the summer . . . see you in September!



Connecting Your Faith With Others

PPC Teacher Training on August 29th for all teachers during the 2010-2011 year. The training will start right after the 10:30 a.m. worship service. More information coming soon!

register now



S.T.E.P.S.

- Studying
- Teaching
- Equipping
- Praying

AUGUST 28th at Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian

This Presbytery event is a great opportunity for all educators, parents, committee members, session members — really **anyone** who is interested in cultivating one's own faith or involved in cultivating the faith of others. It is an opportunity for personal growth, for learning new ideas, and for preparing to take the next steps in your walk and within our congregation.

Full details of each workshop are listed in the STEPS brochure, found on the CE table along with signup sheets. Info is also available online at www.chas-atlpresbytery.org.

PPC will pay the \$25 registration fee for our congregation members who sign up by July 20th. Contact Angela at aradden@palmettopreschurh.org with questions.

Come Live, Learn, Grow, and Cultivate Your Faith!

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NEW MEMBER CLASS

The Session meets in Mike's office each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. to receive new members. Please speak to Mike or one of the Elders (*wearing the gold name tags*) about joining PALMETTO.

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SUNDAY MORNING

9:15-10:00 a.m. — Sunday School

10:00-10:30 a.m. — Fellowship

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. — Worship

Children's Church with a planned lesson for K4-2nd grade is offered weekly following "Time with Children" (*during the worship service*). FUEL for 3rd-5th grades is offered on the 2nd & 4th Sundays.

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