

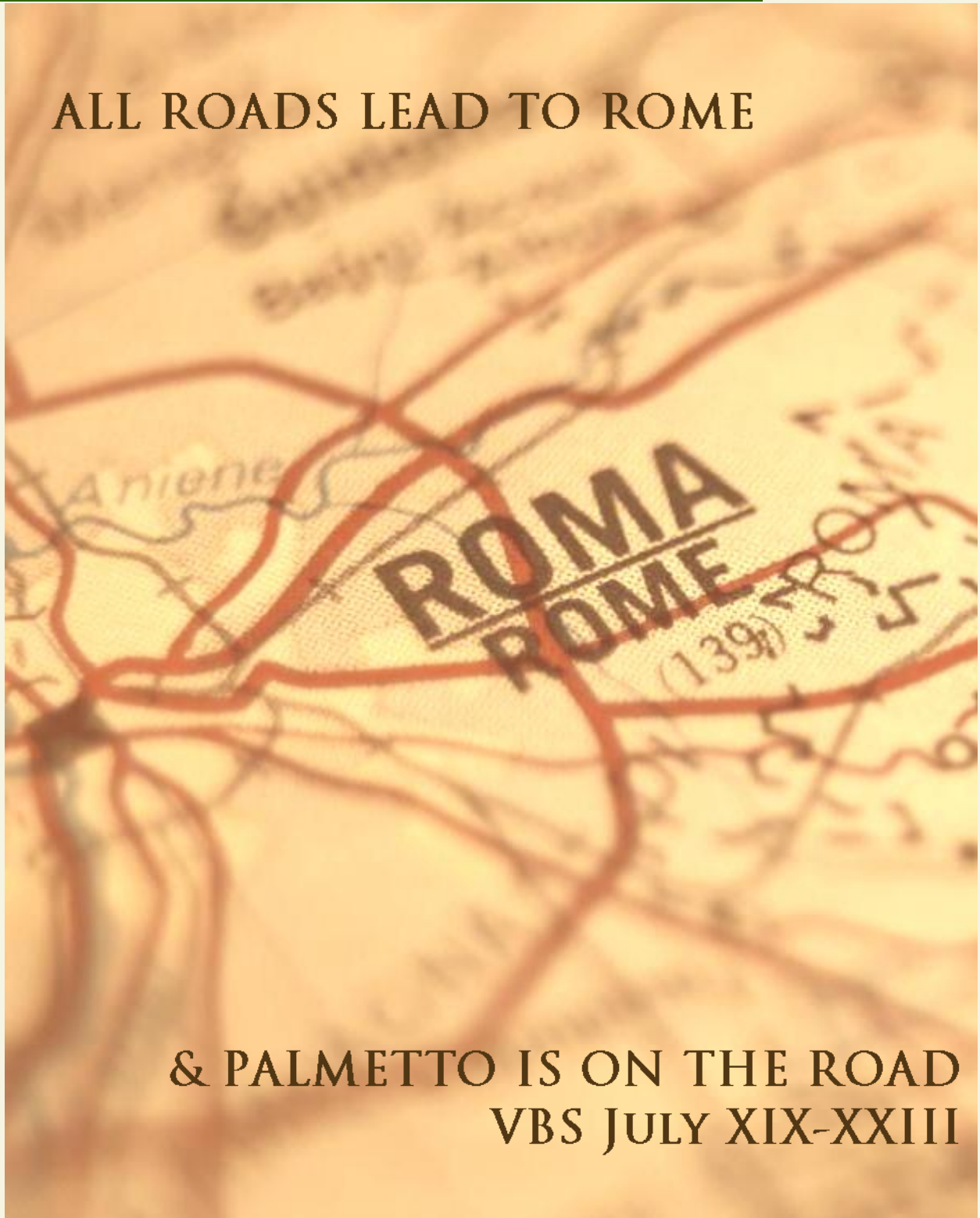
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THE PALMETTO PALM READER

ALL ROADS LEAD TO ROME

F R O M T H E P A S T O R

Five years ago when I was enrolled in the Spirituality Program at Columbia Seminary, Rosemary and I flew to Rome for a pilgrimage. For ten days we traveled roads to the Vatican, to Assisi, the home of St. Francis, and we traveled roads leading to all seven of the famous Basilicas of Rome.

It was a long pilgrimage preceded by an eight-hour plane ride. Now, you can travel to "Rome" just by driving down Highway 17 North to Laing, where our cafeteria/worship space will be transformed into the market place of ancient Rome. We have *another* great Bible school planned for "pilgrims" of all ages.

The fun begins the evening of Sunday, July 19th, and runs through Thursday evening, July 23rd. If you attended Bible school last year, you know what a great experience it was. (I'm still singing "Love the Lord your God with all your heart . . .")

As you browse this month's newsletter, you will find many roads to travel as we have many, many opportunities for service, worship and fellowship.

I know many of us are traveling distant roads this summer, but when you're in town, I hope you travel down 17 North on Sunday mornings and join us for worship at Laing.

Have a great summer.
Blessings,

P.S. In your travels, don't forget Jesus' words in Matthew 7:13: "*Broad is the road that leads to destruction, narrow is the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.*" (paraphrase)

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JULY WORSHIP

JULY 5TH—TRINITY SUNDAY

"The American Dream...er"

Ecclesiastes 3:1-14

JULY 12TH

"Confession Is Good for the Soul"

II Samuel 12:1-14

Communion

JULY 19TH

"The Journey of Faith: Are We There Yet?"

Mark 8:27-38

JULY 26TH

"A Rising River of Grace"

Ezekiel 47:1-6

Baptism: Bailey Elizabeth Sisk



MUSIC NOTES

Summer is officially here, and that means the music ministry is already planning for Christmas! If you would like to be a part of our Christmas music, summer would be a great time to join us at Laing on Thursdays at 6:30PM.

We are also busy making decisions for our new church home. We are selecting choir robes and searching for the right piano for our new sanctuary. Also, the great news is that we have acquired an Allen digital organ at no cost to Palmetto!

Several of you have approached me concerning piano lessons. With the facilities at Laing being a little more available to us now, I will be able to offer piano studies one afternoon each week in the fall. If you are interested, please contact me.

With a song in my heart,
Crystal



VBS

JULY 19-23

6:15-8:15 P.M.

DON'T MISS THE ADVENTURE!



*Tw'as the summer before
Christmas,
And all through PPC,
There were no Chrismons,
To hang on our tree.*



OUR NEW MEMBERS

Paul & Esther Walter

Ralph Wetherell

Tom & Dee Winkleman

- "Chrismon" is a combination of parts of two words: CHRIST and MONogram. A Chrismon is just that -- a monogram of Christ.
- Both morning and evening workshops are being planned for later this summer to make ornaments for PPC's first Chrismon tree.

Watch the bulletin and PPC e-Post for dates and times. Contact Joye Davis at davisjoye@gmail.com or 843-856-8432 if you would like to help with this project.

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CELEBRATING LIFE

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ON VACATION . . .



Nan Mann and her twin sister, Sue, in Aruba



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Chandler and Gray Hulsey having Thomas Jefferson sign their copy of the PPC newsletter while visiting Williamsburg

Celebrating Summer PPC Style



ROME—Paul and the Underground Church

An All-New Holy Land Adventure

ROME immerses learners of all ages in Bible-times culture, helping kids and adults explore what it might have been like to live as the church was just beginning. Families will experience new traditions, taste new foods, try new arts and crafts projects, and discover that God's love is the most powerful gift, saving us from our sins. The Apostle Paul is your Bible teacher! Each evening your kids will visit Paul's home, soaking in Scripture as Paul shares what he's writing and applies it to kids' experiences. To hear from Paul, chained to a Roman guard...it's memorable learning—and powerful!

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IN COMMUNITY

FROM CHRISTIAN ED TEAM

HELLO & HAPPY SUMMER!

Thank you so much for those of you volunteering to be a part of Christian Education at PPC. During the upcoming months I can promise that you will learn more about the Bible, make wonderful new friends, become a role model to a child or an adult peer, and see how a team effort can open the doors to discipleship. I am thankful for each of you and am especially excited for those of you who are new to teaching!

Please mark your calendars to save the dates of **Saturday, August 29th and Sunday, August 30th.**

Saturday will be S.T.E.P.S. training at Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church. With S.T.E.P.S. the Presbytery provides a day of learning, worship, and fellowship, and PPC will pay for all who are interested in participating (*please have your registrations to me by July 21st, so we can take advantage of the early registration pricing*).

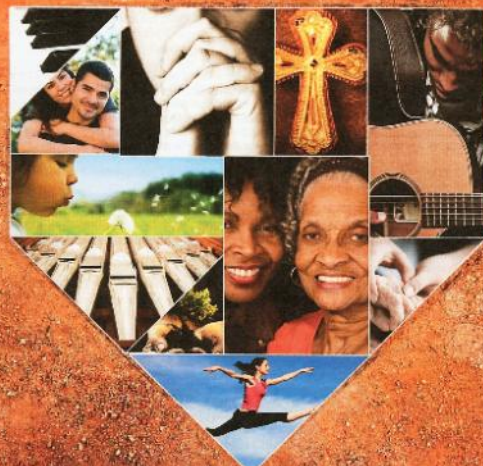

Then on Sunday we will have our own teacher training at Laing immediately following the church service. We will review important information, distribute teaching resources, and provide the opportunity to meet with your group to work on scheduling and ideas.

Rally Day will be held Sunday, September 13th as we kick off the new CE season at PPC and celebrate Christian Education Week (*more details upcoming*).

Questions? Leaving the CE Team or interested in joining the CE Team? PLEASE CONTACT ME. We need a good representation of our classes/groups and good monthly meeting attendance. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30. We rotate as hosts and need a volunteer to take meeting minutes each month.

—Natalie Doss, CE Team Chair
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345-1767 (c) 971-4116 (h)

COMING IN AUGUST



Step Up to the Plate
What does the Lord require of you?
Micah 6:8

S.T.E.P.S.

Everyone at PPC is invited to attend the S.T.E.P.S. workshops sponsored by Charleston Atlantic Presbytery on Saturday, August 29th. This will be a day of learning, worship, and fellowship.

Registration forms are available at the WELCOME TABLE. Please turn in completed forms to Natalie Doss by July 21st, so we can take advantage of the early registration discount.

For more information on S.T.E.P.S. go to www.chas-atlpresbytery.org.

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FROM FINANCE TEAM

A WORD ABOUT GIVING—

The first year of the Capital Campaign to build our new building ended May 31st. Year end Report: Pledges due \$219,880. Pledged gifts received \$164,871. Shortfall- \$55,009. Non-pledged gifts received \$21,365 decreased the deficit to \$33,644. We believe that we are all are doing the best we can, that this economy won't last forever, and that pledge commitments will be honored as you are able.

—Sandra Powell, Finance Chair

ON THE ROAD TO JAMES ISLAND

“HANDS FOR CHRIST” BENEFIT CONCERT

On Wednesday, July 29th, (7:00 p.m.) participants in our Summer Study Group will travel to James Island Presbyterian for a concert presented by several choirs in our presbytery. There is no admission, but those attending are asked to bring school supplies for Hands of Christ. They will also receive monetary donations. This fun outing is open to anyone, so if you would like to join our group “on the road,” call the church office.

FROM BUILDING TEAM



THE CHURCH WALLS ARE GOING UP!

Interior design boards are located on the WELCOME TABLE—be sure to take a look!

SIGN UP — SIGN OUT

EVANGELISM TEAM has added 6 new neighborhood signs promoting our worship service at PALMETTO. We need 3 volunteers who are willing to place and pickup 2 of the signs in their neighborhood each weekend. **Contact Buck Smyre at absmyre@comcast.net (670-8888) or the church office if you can help.**

MEN'S GOLF OUTING



The PPC men's group is having their next golf outing at Rivertowne Country Club on July 11th at 2:00 p.m. Green's fees are \$39 for the round. For those who think they can knock off Bruce Thompson and his team, please reply to Jeff Taylor at taylor4@bellsouth.net or 856-0038. We currently have tee times for 20 golfers but can arrange for more if needed.

DO YOU REMEMBER
YOUR EPIPHANY STAR?

Outreach Opportunity

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

PPC will be going to the soup kitchen at Crisis Ministries on **Saturday, August 22nd**. This is a great opportunity to serve the community and to enjoy great fellowship!

So be sure to sign-up at the Missions & Outreach table!

Inquirers Dessert

All visitors interested in learning more about Palmetto are invited to the home of Mike and Rosemary Fitze (1865 S. James Gregarie Road, Tennyson, Park West) on Sunday, July 12th, at 4:00 p.m. An elder and a member of our Evangelism Team will also be on hand to answer questions and share the vision for Palmetto. Written invitations will be mailed to visitors who have become regular worshipers, or if you would like to attend, you may contact the church office (884-1504).



CONNECTIONS

Appetizer Club

Sunday, July 12th

6-8 p.m.

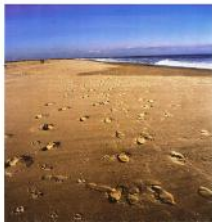
Sign Up NOW!

COME JOIN THE FUN at our next PPC Connections Appetizer Club! It's an appetizer/fellowship club for adults only. Sign up in the back of the church for our next gathering. If you are willing to be a host, please sign up for that too. Hosts are responsible for providing the place, drinks of your choice, paper goods, etc. Guests are asked to bring a heavy appetizer to share. There will be approximately 10-12 people at each home, and we will let you know where to go the week before the event. Everyone had a wonderful time of fun and fellowship at our last event. For more information, contact Kim Hulsey at 856-1642 or baha2004@comcast.net!

ON THE ROAD TO EDISTO

COME

Wade in the Water



On Sunday afternoon, July 26th, all the congregations in Charleston Atlantic Presbytery are invited to Edisto Island for an afternoon of fellowship, food and worship. The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island is our host. This is a beautiful historic church and it's worth the trip just to see the buildings and grounds there. There will be a bar-b-que dinner, hotdogs for the kids, and a great band—and we will all worship together. Activities begin at 3:00 p.m., and we will eat at 4:30. There is a signup sheet on the WELCOME TABLE. For more details, go to www.chas-atlpresbytery.org and check out *Wade in the Water*.

Sunday, July 12th

There will be a short meeting following worship for all adults helping with VBS

Family Movie & Swim Night

Sunday, July 26th

- Where:** Rick & Angela Redden's
4672 Cedar Island Court (Awendaw, SC)
- What:** Come with a swimsuit and get ready to enjoy the movie **Charlotte's Web**
- Time:** Dinner & play time at 5:00;
movie to start around 7:00

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**SUNDAY MORNING
SUMMER SCHEDULE**

10:00-10:30 a.m. — Fellowship

10:30-11:30 a.m. — Worship

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

PALMETTO SESSION

**Fred Anderson
Rob Davis
Chris Hulsey
Dottie Kelley
Elaine Kloos
John Loesch
Julie Martin
Nancye Mullaney
Angela Redden
Dick Redden
Buck Rogers
Lori Russ
Anne Smyre
Beth Taylor
Albert van Overeem**

NEW MEMBER CLASS

The Session meets in the cafeteria 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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