

The WINDOW

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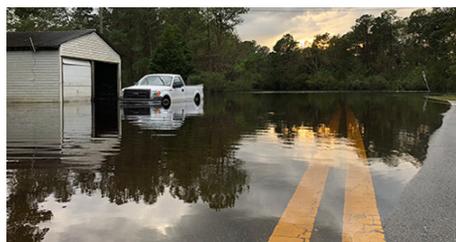


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September Mission Offering

In September a special Touching Our World Mission Offering (TOWMO) will be taken to support missions in South Carolina. Below is information on two ministries that will benefit from your gifts to this September offering:
Disaster Relief Teams

South Carolina Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers in 2018 had a major in-state response to Hurricane Florence.



Beyond S.C., they participated in disaster responses in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Georgia and Florida. Ministry by South Carolina Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers included 670 mud-out and chainsaw jobs, preparing and serving almost 91,000 meals, washing over 3,000 laundry loads, providing over 6,000 showers, making 1,500 chaplaincy and ministry contacts, giving 174 gospel presentations, and seeing 24 people accept Christ as Savior.

Palmetto Works



Based in Conway, Palmetto Works seeks to be the presence of Christ in the world by helping children, adolescents, and adults do

their age and developmentally appropriate work. They seek to accomplish this goal through *C.H.O.P.S. (Culinary and Hospitality Operatives Prepared to Serve)* whose aim is to provide fresh fruits and vegetables and to alleviate poor health and obesity;

Palmetto Kids! whose goal is to help high school and middle school students make a positive impact through community service; and *Work It Out Leadership Academy* that focuses on dropout prevention through mentoring and tutoring. Your gifts to the SC Missions Offering will spread the gospel to thousands of people in South Carolina and the United States.



Study for Awareness – A Women’s Book Study & Discussion Group



The goal of this Women’s Book Study and Discussion Group is to become more aware of what goes on in the world around us, in our country, in our town, and in our neighborhoods.

Through reading and conversation, we will strengthen our compassion and understanding of others. Some topics studied last year include: *Racism, Israel/Palestinian Relations, Human Trafficking, and Immigration*

The group meets the third Tuesday of each month in the Green Room (Building A) from 5:30 until 7:00 pm. All women are invited and encouraged to attend on Tuesday, September 17 at 5:30 pm to learn more about this group. Plan to attend and enjoy light refreshments, good conversation, and fellowship. Contact **Rebecca Cooper at 843-368-6720 or Beth Haverfield at 404-395-7023** for additional information regarding this study and discussion group.

Women of Wisdom (WOW)

The Women of Wisdom (WOW) Group will meet on Thursday, September 26 at 11:30 am at the Lady’s Island Country Club. Plan to join this widow’s group for good food (Dutch treat) and conversation.

College Student Information

We need your help in order to stay connected with our college students during this next school year! College students or parents are encouraged to provide university mailing addresses and email addresses to the church office. Please send this information to **Michelle Gee at receptionist@bcob.org**. Thank you for helping us stay connected to all our college students this year!

OASIS Lunch & Meeting



All Senior Adults are invited to join us for OASIS on Thursday, September 5 at 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall (Building C).

The cost for lunch is **\$6.00 per person**. Reservations are not required for the meal. Captain Craig Reeves from the Sea Eagle Fish Market will be our guest speaker.

I Don't Want to Go to Church!

Jeff Pethel,
Associate Pastor

Children and Youth get up on Sunday morning and sometimes ask the question, "Do we have to go to church today?"

Unfortunately, many times parents give in and decide to stay at home. Based on information Marva Dawn shares in her book *"A Royal Waste of Time"* here are some of the answers parents may give their children.

- **You are not going to church; you are the church.** We go to worship so that we can learn more about God and how to be a better church.
- **We need you to be here in church with us because some of us are old and tired and we need to experience your smiles and energy.**
- **We need you and the congregation cannot get along without you because you are part of the body of Christ.** Just as your body needs every part – like eyes, ears, and hands – so the church needs every single person to make it whole.
- **You need the gifts of worship because you will learn things at church that will make sense later.** Almost every week I learn something that comes up in the days to follow.
- **If you pay close attention to the words of the songs and the scriptures and the litanies,** you will learn all kinds of new things about God. All of life is an adventure in getting to know God better.
- **Attending worship will teach you skills for your Christian life** – skills like how to pray, how to sing, how to sit quietly in God's presence, and how to study the Bible.
- **I need for you to come to worship with me because sometimes** I forget how important worship is and I need you to remind me, to pray beside me and to sing with me.
- **We all need the talents and gifts that you bring to worship** – your singing voice for the hymns, your ability to learn new songs quickly, your warmth and friendliness, the answers you give during the children's moment, and how you teach other children about God and how to worship.
- **God wants you in worship at church because God loves you and because God wants you to be present with God in God's house.** It's important to give praise and thanks to God!

This new church year is a great time for parents to step up and demonstrate that you are the spiritual leaders of your family. Regular attendance and participation in Sunday School and Worship are vital to building one's relationship with God. Encourage family members to get out of bed this Sunday and choose to attend both Sunday School and Worship. Make a fresh start! Be on time! Start new habits! See you on Sunday . . . and hopefully on Wednesday evenings too! You'll be glad you made the effort . . . and we will too!

Acolyte Training for Children and Youth



Children and Youth (Grades 1-8) interested in serving as acolytes during worship on Sundays are invited and encouraged to attend "Come, Follow Me Acolyte Training" on Sunday, September 15 from 8:15 until 9:30 am.

Breakfast will be served in the Handbell Room (Building A) promptly at 8:15 am. Sign-ups are required to participate. This training session will begin in the HandBell Room and conclude in the Sanctuary. Children and Youth will learn about the important work of being an acolyte and will also have an opportunity to practice being an acolyte during this class. Churches have used acolytes since ancient times. The word acolyte is taken from an ancient Greek word that meant companion, attendant, or helper. In some churches today, acolytes are called servers. Being an acolyte provides young people with opportunities to lead in worship and help other people worship and think about God.

Parents, please sign your child or youth up to participate in the training session by Wednesday, September 11.

Contact the church office at **843-524-3197** or email **Jeff Pethel at jpethel@bcob.org** to sign-up! Parents should plan to attend a brief meeting in the Sanctuary at 9:30 am on September 15.

Greetings from Joshua Wall, Our New Organist

Greetings church family! I am excited to start a new season with the new friends of BCOB! I am from Newberry, South Carolina where my brothers and I grew up in Newberry Baptist Church. At the start of our school career, our parents then moved us to Clover, South Carolina where we all graduated from Clover High School. While my brothers went to Clemson University, I attended Winthrop University where I received a Bachelor of Music Education and a Masters of Choral Music.

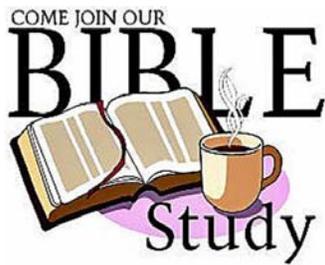
Throughout my childhood and teenage years, I was very involved in the church. As a child, I would play "organ" on the back of the pew in front of me. Naturally, my parents thought I should learn piano so they enrolled me in piano lessons with my first music teacher - my grandmother. She taught me all the way through high school (piano and organ) and when I started college the lessons continued. When I had to enter the **"real world"**, I found myself teaching high school choir in Irmo, South Carolina. After three years in Irmo, I found the job opening at Hilton Head High and made the move. I have loved living in the Lowcountry for the last five years. I truly believe I've found my personal home and hope to find my spiritual home with all of you. Thank you for the warm welcome I've received and I look forward to making many new friends!

Mossy Oaks Wish List

We are grateful to be continuing our partnership with Mossy Oaks Elementary School in this new school year! During the month of September, we are collecting “*Back to School Supplies*” based on each teacher’s wish list for their classrooms. Please bring the following supplies to church during the month of September. Plastic bins are located in all three buildings and labeled “*Mossy Oaks School Donations*” for your donated items. Thank you for supporting teachers and children in our community.

Wish List: Quart Bags, Gallon Bags, Facial Tissues, Wet Wipes, Hand Sanitizer, Paper Towels, Markers, Colored Pencils, Construction Paper, #2 Pencils (pre-sharpened if possible), Crayons, Eraser Bars, Post-It Notes, Dry Erase Markers, Disinfecting Wipes.

Adult Bible Study



Adults are encouraged to join us in the Fellowship Hall (Prince Street side) from 6:00 until 7:30 pm beginning Wednesday, September 4 for a series titled *Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White* – Thoughts on Religion,

Morality, and Politics. Everyone agrees that our country is polarized but no one agrees on what to do about it. The purpose of this series is to engage thoughtful Christians in dialogue and self-examination so that we may model a richer, more thoughtful conversation on the political, moral, and religious issues that divide us. Participants will be encouraged to listen, learn, and see truth as multi-sided; to make their voices heard; and to love those with whom they disagree. Topics include: *Where Faith and Politics Meet; Christ, Christians, and the Culture Wars; How Should We Live? The Ethics of Jesus; Spiritual Maturity and Seeing Gray; What Would Jesus Say to America?* Don’t miss this opportunity to listen and learn from one another.

Ministry Team & Committee Meeting Night

Ministry Team Leaders and all Church Committees will meet on Sunday, September 8 in the Fellowship Hall. Ministry Team Leaders will meet at 5:45 pm. Supper for Ministry Team Leaders and all Committee Members will be at 6:00 pm. Committees will meet at 6:30 pm for orientation and organization. The meetings will end by 7:30 pm. Save the date and plan to attend this orientation if you or a Ministry Team Leader and/or serve on a church committee.

Birthdays in September

September 1st - Victoria Flowers, KW Pruet, and Tanya King

September 2nd - James Adams and Ronnie Reichert

September 3rd - Ray Sherbert and Penny Moore

September 4th - Norman Morrall, Tricia Bush, Sharon Pope, and Will Beere

September 6th - Teresa Brown and Linda Pike

September 7th - Patsy Stowe, Kelcey Keen, and Nathan Reed

September 8th - Marian Youmans

September 9th - Jean Stokes

September 10th - Jamie Eubank, Michael Bass, and Bentley Witte

September 11th - Rick Brown

September 12th - Karen Smoak

September 13th - Neils Christensen

September 14th - Jack Kirkland and Linda Davis

September 15th - Norman Phelps and Denise Locke

September 16th - Audrey Maxey

September 17th - Michael Brewton

September 18th - Heyward Squires

September 19th - William Hendricks, William Smoak, and David Wilson

September 20th - Nancy Priester

September 21st - Eleanor Tillman and Todd Bowers

September 23rd - Todd Roseneau

September 24th - Charles Horton

September 25th - Delores Williams and James Pike

September 26th - Michael Bonyne and Jordan Bates

September 29th - Ginny Hardee

September 30th - Ruth Horton, Julie Hunter, Becky Woods, and CJ Akins

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If you or another family member is in or going to the hospital then please let us know in the church office by calling 843-524-3197. You can also share this information with the "Minister on Call" for the week. The name and phone number for the "Minister on Call" is published in the weekly edition of "The Happening" newsletter each week. Thank you for sharing this information with the church staff.

Wednesday Night Schedule

2:45 – 7:30 pm – BLAST+

5:00 – 5:45 pm – Family Night Meal - (Reservations required)

6:00 – 7:30 pm – Adult Bible Study

6:00 – 7:30 pm – JAM – (Preschoolers)

6:00 – 7:30 pm – BLAST – (Grades 1-5)

6:00 – 7:30 pm – Youth on Mission – (Grades 6-12)

7:30 pm – Covenant Choir Rehearsal

Might God Be Calling You?

If you sense that God might be calling you to serve as a Stephen Minister, the first step is to find out more about getting involved. Begin now talking to a Stephen Leader or Stephen Minister about how you can make a life-changing difference for a care receiver in need.

After training, a Stephen Minister begins a caring relationship when he or she is matched with a person experiencing a life crisis. The Stephen Minister then meets with that person on a weekly basis to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. The caring relationship lasts as long as the person is in need of care.

Stephen Minister training is a Christ-centered experience that equips participants with essential caring and relating skills. Participants will learn how to listen to, care for, and walk with those going through difficult times in life. Stephen Ministers are trained by their congregation's Stephen Leaders. The training they receive equips them to provide high-quality care to people who are hurting.

BCOB is currently taking applications for Stephen Ministry training. An informational luncheon to help solidify your decision to train in January 2020 will be September 15th after worship. Coming to the luncheon is not a commitment to become a Stephen Minister; however, this will be a great way to answer the question "**Might God Be Calling You?**" Contact the church office at 843-524-3197 to sign-up for the luncheon.



WEDNESDAYS AT BCOB

Look for Menu information in
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