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Romans 12:1-2, NRSV

INVITE OTHERS

Between January 1 and December 31, 2011 are twelve exciting, unlived months of opportunities—challenges brought on by changes await each of us, possibly out of our comfort zones. Although Mark Twain was correct when he said, "The only one who likes change is a wet baby", we can shove ourselves out of our comfort zones and grab golden moments in which God has wondrous things for us. Break out and invite others to worship at Georgetown Presbyterian in 2011.

Praise the Lord, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word. Praise the Lord, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. Psalm 103:20-21

Dear Friends,

As we find ourselves both renewed and exhausted by our celebration of Christmas, and as we engage in that annual ritual of New Year's resolutions, may I make my annual plea for you to consider some resolutions to strengthen your spiritual life and your partnership in the gospel at Georgetown Presbyterian Church? Truly, we are blessed by an abundance of gifts from God in this congregation; it would be a shame to let those gifts go untapped.

As we enter 2012, I want us to maintain the focus and direction we began during our stewardship campaign, to be a congregation that bears fruit for Christ through engagement in the five practices of Radical Hospitality, Passionate Worship, Intentional Faith Development, Risk-Taking Mission and Service, and Extravagant Generosity. Therefore, I hope you will consider adopting some of the following resolutions for your own life as you serve the Lord through the ministry of Georgetown Presbyterian Church.

"In 2012 I will:

1. Tell at least four people what Jesus Christ means to me (approximately one person per quarter).
2. Invite at least four people to worship with me at GPC.
3. Make regular attendance at Sunday worship a high priority for myself (and my family).
4. Serve in at least three different ways by volunteering in the various ministries of GPC (This would include helping with our worship services, greeting, ushering, helping with VBS or children's ministry, serving the youth ministry, helping in the kitchen, regular or substitute Sunday school teacher, property repair, etc...).
5. Pray for the church and at least one other member of the church every day (you can use the church directory).
6. Participate in at least one organized Bible study program at least three times a month (e.g., Men's Breakfast Study, Wednesday Brown Bag Lunch Study, PW Circle studies, Sunday School, Bridges studies).
7. Participate in at least two service projects that focus on people beyond GPC.
8. Make a positive step toward fulfilling the biblical principle of tithing (10% of income).
9. Practice regular (daily) reading of the Bible, God's word.
10. Find a reason to give thanks to God every day!"

May the Lord grant a joyful and prosperous new year to you!

Faithfully,

Steve Wilkins

Tara Hall

HOME FOR BOYS



December 8, 2011

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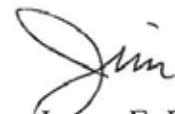
Dear Rev. Wilkins,

Thank you so very much for your generous gift in support of the work and progress of Tara Hall. I am truly grateful for your interest in Tara Hall and your concern for the welfare and development of our boys.

As we enter into the Christmas Holiday Season one of our biggest challenges will be to keep the boys focused on their school work. This is a very busy and exciting time for all children and our boys are truly blessed by many individuals and organizations in the community. Visions of sugarplums are already dancing in their heads!

Again, thanks for your help in making what we do with these boys who need us so much, possible. We look forward to your continued support because that is the backbone of what we are able to provide. May God richly bless and watch over you and your loved ones.

Sincerely,


James E. Dumm, Jr.
Executive Director

As always, we had a terrific time. Merry Christmas to all our friends at Georgetown Presbyterian!



CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Students of the Month

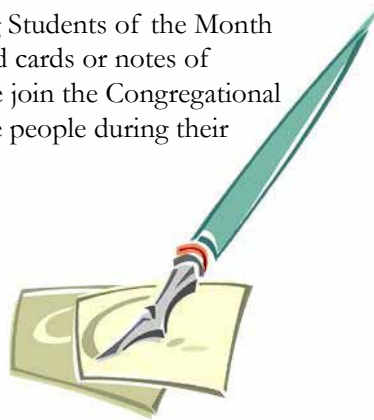
The Congregational Care Committee is featuring Students of the Month again this year. The congregation is asked to send cards or notes of encouragement to these featured students. Please join the Congregational Care Committee in supporting our young college people during their journey.

Featured Students for January:

Davis Cyr • Clemson University
333 Orange Street • Clemson, SC 29631

Taylor Glazier • University of South Carolina
2323 Stark St • Columbia, SC 29205

Kristeva Kouamou • Coastal Carolina University
CCU 70940 • 107 Sounders Dr. • Conway, SC 29526



Come to the **Pastoral Lunch** at 12:00 noon January 3 in the Fellowship Hall for a wonderful meal and church family fellowship.

Come to the **Social Lunch** at 12:00 noon January 17 in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share.

Bridges 2012



A gathering of faith and fellowship through all generations.

Bridges meets at 6pm Wednesdays following a delicious meal served at 5:15pm. This a good way to get to know your church family that worship at alternate services. Below are the events for this month. Please join us!

January 11

“What Presbyterians Believe”—study lead by Steve Wilkins

Makarios Circle

January 18

Service of Healing and Wholeness with Communion

January 25

Focus on Mission—Habitat for Humanity

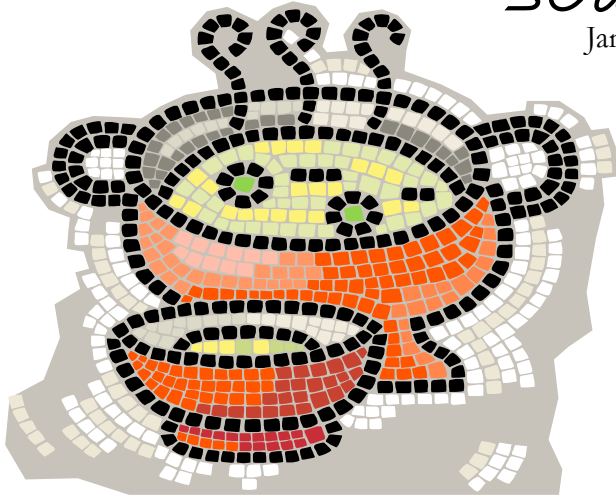
PERENNIALS

THE FUN LOVING MATURE GROUP!

Perennial Board meeting January 18 at 4:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

“SOUPER” Dinner

January 19 Chef Al will cook a “SOUPER” Dinner. This annual January event will offer various soups, bread, salad and dessert for \$6 per person, payable at the door. We will play Bingo, so remember to bring your favorite “White Elephant” so others may enjoy your treasure! Please gift-wrap your White Elephant bingo prize. Please do not bring books, as we will have a book exchange at the March dinner.



Date: Thursday, January 19

Time: 5:30 pm

Place: Fellowship Hall

The sign up sheet is posted on the Perennial Bulletin Board.
Call the Church office if you have questions.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Wednesday mornings, 7:15 a.m.
in the Fellowship Hall

Brown Bag Lunch Bible Study

Wednesdays at noon
in the Fellowship Hall
Bring your lunch; drinks will be provided

Both Bible Studies led by Steve Wilkins
Both Bible Studies begin Wednesday, January 11

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

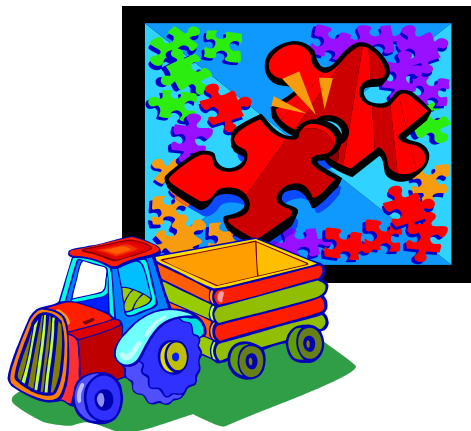
Birthdays

1/3	Frankie Hills Paxton Seidel	1/17	Martha Ann McCarley
1/5	Marcy Carl	1/19	Linda Puckett
1/7	Don Caton Bob Kearns	1/20	Susan Matthews
1/8	Jim Harris	1/21	Carolyn McBride Bill Stuckey
1/9	Fritz Vinson	1/22	Carol Anne Van Duyn
1/10	Catt Buko Taylor Glazier	1/23	Doug Wilson
1/11	Jenny Thomas	1/25	Ellis O'Tuel
1/13	Tracey Cunningham Wendy Siau	1/27	James English
1/14	Luke McCain Fletcher Ruth Doodles Woodward	1/31	Rachel Dillon Tony Shank
1/16	Georgia Bixler Ben Martin Austin Mull		

Anniversaries

1/3	John and Jean Cross
1/18	Bo and Debbie Barron
1/27	Bob and Donna Glisson
1/30	Dick and Maryanne Schwab

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



GPW's Monthly Mission Project is collecting new or gently-used toys for our own Preschool and Child Development Center. Some requests from the teachers are wooden puzzles(no pegs); Matchbox size cars; farm toys (tractors, animals, fences etc.); floor puzzles. Please remember to bring these to your circle meeting in January.

Thanks to all of you who made cookies for our Christmas cookie mission project for December. We took cookies to the staff of Prince George and Georgetown Rehabilitation in thanks for their kind care of the elderly.

February 4, the PW spiritual retreat will be held at First Pres, Florence. Please check the bulletin board for the sign up sheet in January.

YOUTH MINISTRY



"Fired Up-Inspired to Light Up the World for Jesus Christ"

Middle School Retreat

February 3-5, 2012

Camp Pee Dee

Retreat Center

Special Guest Leaders from Presbyterian
College's Celtic Cross and the Praise and
the Worship Youth Band of

First Presbyterian Church, Myrtle Beach.

Youth were given brochure at youth group, If you did not receive one
please Contact Bruce to sign up.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Sevice Project

Special Thanks to all the youth
who helped make meals and card
for the pastoral Care Freezer.



Picture This

All youth and adults who have pictures of youth
events, please burn a CD for Bruce. We want to
make a bulletin board of the recent events.

Souper Bowl of Caring



This year, the youth will be collecting
money for Souper Bowl of Caring. This
year's proceeds will go to Helping
Hands who help serve the hungry in
our community. Please help fill the
pots this year on February 5. We will
be collecting after 8:45 worship and
before and after 11:00. Just look for the
youth with a Pot or Helmet. Souper bowl
party will follow that evening for Senior
High Youth!

Food For Youth

Each Sunday, our youth sit
down and share a meal
together, most of the time
these meals are provided by
parents of the youth, but
sometimes we have others within
the congregation who like to
provide this meal. The meals are
intended to be simple, meaning
we are not looking for a three
course meal. Examples are: chili
and salad, hamburgers or hot dogs
and chips, frozen lasagna and
salad, sloppy Joe's and chips . . .
If you are interested in providing
a meal, please contact one of
our food coordinators; they are
Carol Wilkins 318-2386 or Nancy
Rubillo 359-0039

BIBLE STUDY

Youth Bible
Studies
will start
back on

January 23. Time and places will
be announced during youth group
on Sunday 22nd and in the church
bulletin.



**MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK
IN WILL BE SCHEDULE
FOR FEBRUARY
KEEP LOOKING FOR
MORE INFO!**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parents' Night Out

Division of the Children's Ministry

January 28

6:00pm - 10:00pm

Deadline to register Wednesday, January 25th

Participation Form

Child's Name & Age (18 months - 5th grade)

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

Mom: _____ *Dad:* _____

Cell# _____ *Cell#* _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Cell Phone: _____ *Other:* _____

Allergies: _____

Fee Schedule

\$15.00 first child

\$5.00 each additional child

\$25.00 Family Maximum

(Price includes meal)

Fee must accompany form and is non-refundable

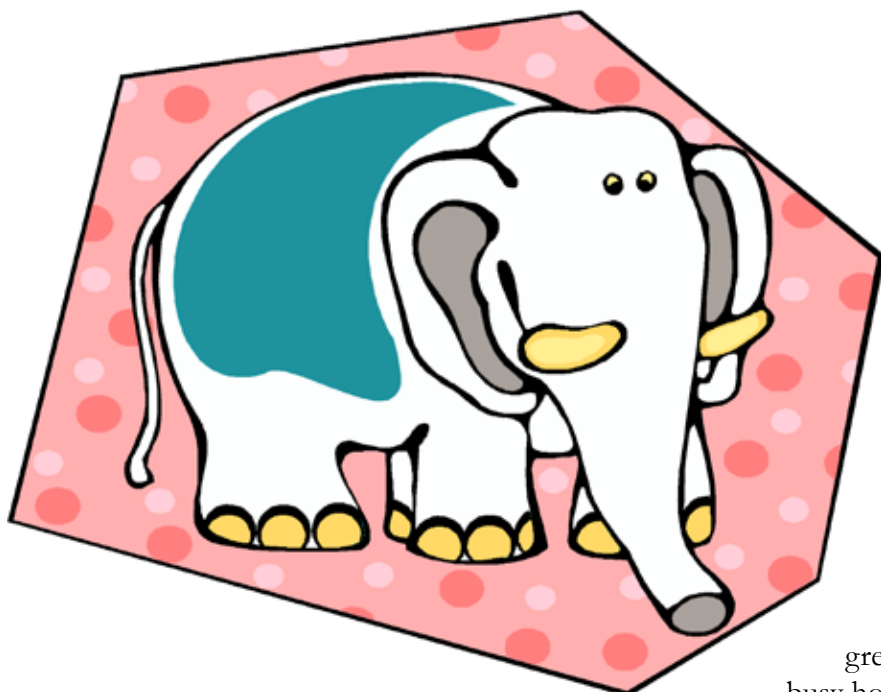
Children MUST be siblings in order to receive discount!

Paid: Check No. _____ *Cash* _____

This service provided by the Children's Ministry and is dependant upon participation.

Questions, please call Debbie Barron: 546-5826 ext. 123

FAMILY CENTER



24/7 Event

*White Elephant gift exchange hosted by
Cindy & Jamie Williams*

Have that not so perfect gift you received from Aunt Trudy this year and don't know what to do with it? Bring it wrapped to the White Elephant Gift Exchange or bring a different inexpensive gift that is wrapped. Game directions will be explained at the event.

Saturday, January 28

**54 Widgeon Road (near Belle Isle) home
of the Williams**

Starts at 6pm

Please bring an appetizer to share. This is a great time of fellowship and catching up after the busy holidays.

A Parents Night Out event is also planned for this night.

Look for this signup.



Family Skate Party

GPC Gym

Sunday, February 12

Following the 11am Service

Pizza and drinks provided.

If you don't skate, come share in some good fellowship with pizza while watching all the skaters have a blast.

See you there!

CONGREGATIONAL SUPPORT

NURSERY

- 1/1 TBA
- 1/8 TBA
- 1/15 Glenn Wilcox
- 1/22 Jessica Sasser
- 1/29 Jackie Young

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- 1/1 TBA
- 1/8 Lucy Mitchum
- 1/15 Ashley Baker
- 1/22 Laura Moyer
- 1/29 Leesa Meador

GREETERS

10:00 Service

- 1/1 Edwin & Carol Jayroe

8:45 Service

- 1/8 George & Melissa Chastain
- 1/15 Harvey Brown, Ginger McNeill
- 1/22 Lance & Joanne Duvall
- 1/29 Harvey Brown, Ginger McNeill

11:00 Service

- 1/8 Edwin & Carol Jayroe
- 1/15 John & Sara Murphy
- 1/22 Les & Cathy Crawford
- 1/29 John & Cathy Crawford

USHERS

10:00 Service

- 1/1 Les Crawford, Gayle McCain, Joe Padgett, Jo Swift

8:45 Service

- Harvey Brown

11:00 Service

- 1/8 Dean Brown, Ted Quantz, Dick Schwab, Tommy Rowland
- 1/15 Doug Wilson, Sandie Booth, Linda Puckett, Carol Mabe
- 1/22 JL McAlister, Pinckney Skinner, Hannah Skinner, Ann Martin
- 1/29 Mary Boyd Brown, Robert McCarley, Gloria Mill, Jane Terhune

Memorials & Honorariums

To the Choir Fund

In Loving Memory of Peggy Dupont
by Lance and Gloria Ballou

To the Children's Ministry

In Loving Memory of Sam Rea
by Lance and Gloria Ballou

MANNA IN THE MORNING

“Then the Lord said... I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day.’ ...The people of Israel called the bread manna.”

Numbers 16:4, 31

“One does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.”

Deut. 8:3

Lectio Divina

Use lectio divina in your daily reading of scripture by reading a few verses of the Bible. Read unhurriedly and listen for the message God has for you. Stay alert to connections to the Spirit that may reveal the passage and what is going on in your life. Once you have heard a word that is meant for you, you are naturally drawn to prayer. Pour your heart to God. Read, reflect, respond and rest — this is the basic rhythm of divine reading.

1. Read the scripture slowly.
2. Reflect on a word or phrase.
3. Respond to what you have read.
4. Rest in God’s word.

From Upper Room Ministries
http://www.upperroom.org/daily/?page_id=9

Note: Scripture readings and weekly themes are taken from Norman Shawchuck and Rueben Job, *A Guide to Prayer for All God’s People*, (Nashville: Upper Room Books, 1990).

Won’t you take time to each day to let God speak to you through His Word? Listed below is a series of daily readings from the Bible. You are encouraged to spend a few minutes in the morning to let the scriptures soak into your heart. You may choose to begin each day by reading the psalm of the week. There is a single text listed for each weekday and Saturday; the Sunday texts are the Old Testament, Epistle and Gospel lectionary selections that are incorporated into our worship services (Note: during the time between Easter and Pentecost, the Old Testament lesson is replaced by a reading from Acts). One suggestion for daily reading would be to engage with the text through a process known as “Lectio Divina” (a Latin term that simply means “Divine Reading”).

Chosen by God

Psalm of the Week Psalm 89:1-18

Sunday, January 1

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:22-40

Monday, January 2

John 15:12-17

Tuesday, January 3

1 Thessalonians 1:2-10

Wednesday, January 4

Isaiah 42:1-9

Thursday, January 5

Luke 10:1-12

Friday, January 6

1 Peter 2:1-10

Saturday, January 7

Colossians 3:12-17

God’s Eternal Purpose

Psalm of the Week Psalm 45

Sunday, January 8

Genesis 1:1-5

Acts 19:1-7

Mark 1:4-11

Monday, January 9

Isaiah 46:5-11

Tuesday, January 10

Hebrews 6:9-20

Wednesday, January 11

Matthew 19:16-30

Thursday, January 12

Matthew 6:25-35

Friday, January 13

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Saturday, January 14

1 Corinthians 3:10-17

Following Jesus

Psalm of the Week Psalm 148

Sunday, January 15

1 Samuel 3:1-10

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

John 1:43-51

Monday, January 16

John 1:35-51

Tuesday, January 17

Matthew 9:9-13

Wednesday, January 18

Luke 9:23-37

Thursday, January 19

Matthew 10:34-42

Friday, January 20

John 10:22-30

Saturday, January 21

Matthew 11:25-30

The Call of God

Psalm of the Week Psalm 131

Sunday, January 22

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

Monday, January 23

Luke 5:1-11

Tuesday, January 24

Jeremiah 1:1-10

Wednesday, January 25

Romans 1:1-7

Thursday, January 26

1 Peter 1:13-25

Friday, January 27

1 Peter 3:8-12

Saturday, January 28

John 21:15-23

The Power of God’s Word

Psalm of the Week Psalm 29

Sunday, January 29

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Mark 1:21-28

Monday, January 30

John 1:1-13

Tuesday, January 31

Genesis 1:1-19

Wednesday, February 1

Genesis 1:20-31

Thursday, February 2

Matthew 9:1-8

Friday, February 3

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Saturday, February 4

1 Peter 1:3-9

JANUARY 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 NEW YEAR'S DAY 10am worship, 1 service no Sunday school	2 Preschool/FISH closed 10am, PW coor team office closed	3 12noon, Pastoral Visitation lunch	4	5	6 EPIPHANY	7
8 Communion both services 10am Java and Jesus, FHall Baptism @ 11am, Mae Morris Installation of officers 5:30pm, Sr Hi youth	9 10am, Miriam Circle, Fellowship Classroom 11:30am, Inez Strait Circle, Fellowship Hall 2:30pm, Leila Marvin Circle 6:30pm, Indigo 7pm, Mary Martha Circle, Parlor	10	11 7:15am, Men's breakfast 12-1pm, bag lunch with pastor 5:15pm, Bridges dinner 5:30pm, Middle sch youth 6pm, "What Presbyterians Believe" 6pm, Makarios Circle 7pm, Chancel choir	12 12noon, FISH half day	13 FISH all day	14
15 5:30pm, Sr Hi youth	16 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY Presch/FISH closed office closed	17 12noon, Social lunch 5:30pm, Session	18 7:15am, Men's breakfast 12-1pm, bag lunch with pastor 4pm, Perennial board 5:15pm, Bridges dinner 5:30pm, Middle sch youth 6pm, Healing & Wholeness with Communion	19 4pm, Health Fair setup, no admittance after they begin setup 5:30pm, Perennials "Souper" dinner/bingo, Fellowship Hall 5pm, set up for Health Fair, gym	20 6am-1pm, Health Fair, gym	21 6am-8pm, Republican Primary, Connector
22 5:30pm, Sr Hi youth	23 7pm, Sr Hi Bible study	24	25 7:15am, Men's breakfast 12-1pm, bag lunch with pastor 5:15pm, Bridges dinner 5:30pm, Middle sch youth 6pm, Focus on Mission-- Habitat presentation of build project	26	27	28 Ephesians Event, "Making Disciples, Shaping Apostles", First Pres, Hartsville 6-10pm, Parents' Night Out 6pm, 24/7 Family Center White Elephant gift party, Jamie & Cindy Williams'
29 5:30pm, Sr Hi youth	30 5:30pm, Investment Committee, Session Room 7pm, Sr Hi Bible study	31		7:30am-5:30pm Preschool/F.I.S.H. Monday-Friday Unless otherwise noted.	11am-6pm The Music Studio Monday-Thursday Room B223 (upstairs conference room) Unless otherwise noted.	Sunday Worship 8:45am and 11am Unless otherwise noted. Sunday School at 10:00am

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