



Columns

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“My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.” John 15:8

Dear Friends,

As this edition of the *Columns* goes to press, we will be in the middle of our five-week stewardship emphasis. This year’s stewardship theme is “Bearing Fruit: Five Practices that Enhance Stewardship.” This year’s theme represents a shift in emphasis from individual responsibility for the gifts and resources that God has given to us, to a congregational responsibility to be wise and faithful stewards of the ministry God has called us to carry out at Georgetown Presbyterian Church. I hope you will continue to consider with me (and the staff and session) ways that we can engage in the practices of Radical Hospitality, Passionate Worship, Intentional Faith Development, Risk-Taking Mission and Service, and Extravagant Generosity.

We also welcome your input. Each week there are inserts in the bulletin that encourage further thought in the five practices. As you consider the practices, we invite you to write down suggestions and comments, and place them in one of the baskets in the narthex or the connector marked, “How to Bear More Fruit?”. The staff and session will use your comments as we consider how to implement the five practices more faithfully and intentionally in our ministry.

INVITE OTHERS

“Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man’s gift is serving, let him serve.”

Romans 12:4-7

Today, many are losing faith in mankind and the hope and courage to face the critical times in their lives. They wonder about Christianity and feel as though God is far from them. But, their world may be different if, as God’s servant, if you invite and bring them into the house of the Lord.

Celebration Sunday, November 20

Sunday, November 20 will be the final Sunday of our stewardship season. On that day we will dedicate our pledges, as well as celebrate our ministry at GPC. Because we believe it important that this be a church-wide event, the Session has determined that there will be only one worship service on that day, at 10am. Children’s Sunday School will be cancelled for that day; adult classes can determine to meet at 9am if they wish.

Following the worship service, we will gather in the gymnasium for a Celebration Reception and Servant Fair. Scattered throughout the gymnasium will be tables that have information about our various ministries, as well as opportunities for you to visit with the elders who chair those ministries, and to sign up to help. This face-to-face process is intended to be more effective than the previous Time and Talent surveys we have filled out.

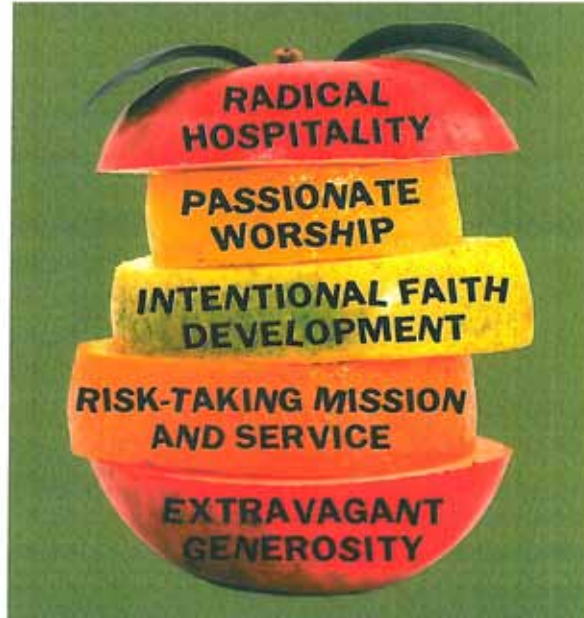
The reception will be a “finger-food” affair, much like other receptions we have in the fellowship hall. Members are invited to bring foods for sharing.

This season of Thanksgiving, may we consider how we can demonstrate our gratitude through our partnership in the gospel at Georgetown Presbyterian Church.

Faithfully,

Steve

**BEARING FRUIT:
FIVE PRACTICES TO ENHANCE STEWARDSHIP
GEORGETOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



**Stewardship at Georgetown Presbyterian Church
Fall, 2011**

November 6
Intentional Faith Development

November 13
Risk-Taking Mission and Service

November 20
Extravagant Generosity

Celebration Sunday, November 20

One Combined Worship Service, 10am
Bring Pledge Forms

Celebration Reception and Servant Fair
in Gymnasium After Worship

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Students of the Month

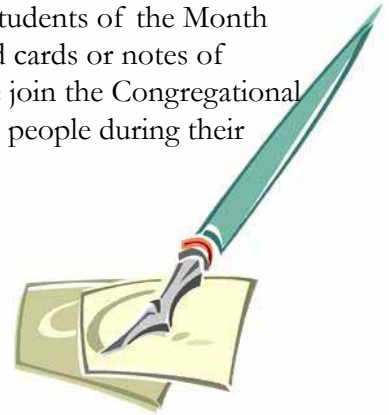
The Congregational Care Committee is featuring Students of the Month again this year. The congregation is asked to send cards or notes of encouragement to these featured students. Please join the Congregational Care Committee in supporting our young college people during their journey.

Featured Students for November:

Devin Arnold at Clemson University
333 Orange Street • Clemson, SC 29631

Garrett Swann at Clemson University
214 Calhoun Street • Clemson, SC 29631-1129

Helen Wilkins at Presbyterian College
Student Box 51439 • 403 S. Adair St. • Clinton, SC 29325-2993



BRIDGES Adventures • 6pm each Wednesday



- November 2 Worship, Praise and Prayer in the Fellowship Hall
- November 9 Gathered in the Word, praying the scripture together, FHall
- November 16 Healing and Wholeness service with communion in the sanctuary
- November 23 no Bridges
- November 30 Celebration Service

GPC's Hispanic Ministry presents
Around the World Fall Festival
November 12, 2011
East Bay Park Gym from 5-7:30pm

Come support our Hispanic Ministry and sample a part of the world. Delicious and authentic Hispanic foods as well as entertainment will be featured. The money raised will go toward the support of this vital outreach mission of Georgetown Presbyterian Church.



PERENNIALS

THE FUN LOVING MATURE GROUP!

SC Aquarium in Charleston
November 17

The Perennials have planned a day trip to visit the elegant SC Aquarium in Charleston, Thursday, November 17. Come with us to see “D’White ‘Gator” and the show-off otter who predicts the Clemson and South Carolina football games. The alligator is a true albino of which there are fewer than 50 known in the WORLD. We will leave from the church parking area promptly at 8:30am and return between 3 and 4 in the afternoon. There will be indoor walking so wear comfortable shoes and bring cameras if you wish. The cost of \$15 will cover admission to the aquarium (based on at least 15 participants). Lunch on the return trip will be on your own. A sign-up sheet is on the Perennial bulletin board with additional information. Please make checks payable to GPC Perennials and leave it at the church office or give to Bill Puckett.

Jean Moody

Special Thanks to!!!

Nancy Corrigall who coordinated the September kick off picnic.
Pete and Rody Stegall for the great “Pig Pickin’.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Mission and Outreach Marketplace
Open December 4-18

Searching for a meaningful gift for that somebody who has everything? Are you one of those who would rather not battle the traffic at the mall or the store? The Mission and Outreach Marketplace may just be your one-stop solution! You can honor a person you love by making a donation that will be sent to the mission field or to a local ministry in his or her honor.



On any given Sunday or Wednesday through December 18, you may visit the Mission and Outreach Marketplace table at the entrance of Fellowship Hall. The concept is simple. You make a donation to one of our mission projects or Helping Hands, and then you send a card (supplied by the Mission and Outreach Marketplace) to a friend or family member to inform them that a Christmas gift has been given in their honor. This is a great way for you to honor someone special with a gift given to Jesus in his or her honor.

The Wise Men gave to Jesus. So can you, through the Mission and Outreach Marketplace!



Operation Christmas Child

Shoe boxes are due to the church by November 14. Please contact Kaye Thomas or the church office for information.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

11/1	Alma Power	11/19	Michael Glenn
11/2	Bobbie McAlister		Ronnie Hutto
11/3	Allen Rogers		Bill Puckett, III
	Lee Talbot	11/20	David Black
11/5	Mildred Schofield		Kathy Brown
11/7	Emilienne Kouamou		Katelyn Ruth
	Grace Long	11/21	Ellie Wilcox
11/8	Gen Baumeister	11/23	Devin Arnold
11/9	Emery Moyer		Jean Cross
	Aiden Nesbitt	11/24	Sara Ann Hooks
11/10	Andrew Dawson		Carol Wilkins
11/11	Isabella Young	11/26	Larry Michau
11/13	Amy Mitchell		Ruth Wallace
11/15	Emmanuel Kouamou	11/27	Agnes Powers
11/16	Flo Mabe	11/28	Lydia Duvall
	Alex Pelham		Helen Wilkins
		11/29	Ramona Young
		11/30	Donna Smith

Anniversaries

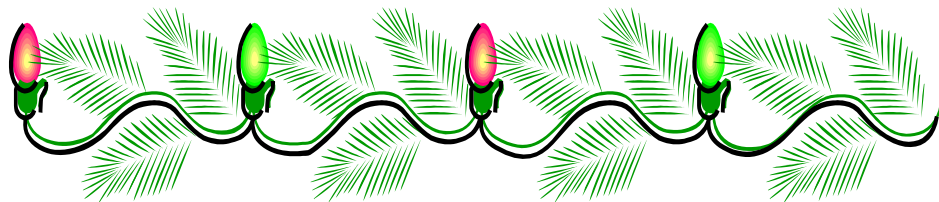
11/6	Naught & Velma Cook
11/10	Jamie & Adrienne Sanderson
11/13	Bruce & Marcy Carl
11/15	Jim & Sue Ryan
11/18	Steve & Carol Wilkins
11/19	Bill & Betty Griffin
11/24	Dean & Robin Brown
11/27	Kenneth & Michelle Wood
11/29	Hank & Ramona Young

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

THANK OFFERING will be received this month.

This special offering gives us the opportunity to say "Thank You, Lord" for blessings we have received daily, and to allow us to show our appreciation by giving to those less fortunate. Forty percent of this offering will be used to support medical missions throughout the world. The balance of funds generated will be used for new creative areas of mission, undesignated in advance. Specific projects will be selected by the Creative Ministries Offering Committee from project proposals submitted.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Middle School and High School Youth Mission

We will meet at the church on Saturday, November 5th at 8:15 a.m. Bus will leave at 8:30a.m. We will be working at Windwood Farm. Our activities will include sorting through Christmas decorations and other jobs around the farm, Lunch will be provided by their staff, and then an afternoon of games and interaction with the boys. We will be heading back around 3:00 p.m. If you have not already signed up with Bruce please do so ASAP.



College students who are returning home for the holidays will meet in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, November 27, December 18, and January 8. This will be an opportunity for us to catch up and look at how our lives in Christ have suffered and/or flourished in college. We will look at ways we can strengthen our faith when we find ourselves in “the wilderness”.



Montreat Youth Conference— “Perfectly Imperfect” July 22-28, 2012

Early bird registration cost	\$598
(sign up by December 18)	
Cost after December 18	\$722
*Registration Deposit	\$100
(if you have more than one child deposit is \$50 each)	

*Refund will only be given if you find someone to buy your space
Cost will decrease based on funds raised. Space is limited to first 22 registered.

New Harmony Presbytery Youth Mixer

Sunday, November 6th, middle school and high school youth will be traveling to Lake City Presbyterian Church for a day of fun with fellow Presbyterian youth from around our Presbytery. The theme is “**What is a Hero?**” The event will be filled with fun games, thoughtful keynote presented by your very own Bruce Carl, awesome small groups, and great music... oh, and did I mention FUN? If you have not signed up, please call Bruce today! (843-546-5826 ext.112)

Senior High Boy's Bible Study



Our group gathers every Monday night from 7-8pm for some awesome Biblical discussion and study. Come join us! On Friday, 11/11/11 at 11am we will leave the church and travel to Murrells Inlet where we will dine on some fine hamburgers and then watch the movie *Courageous*. You will need money for food, the movie is on me. We only have space for 14 so make sure you sign up with Bruce by November 7th.

Senior High Girls Bible Study

The senior high girls meet each Monday night from 7-8pm at the Young's home on Prince Street. For more information, contact Marcy Carl 843-485-2325

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Hello Everyone,

First, and foremost, I want to THANK everyone for their assistance with our Harvest Festival. Thank you for: every cake baked, every game manned, every person greeted, every hot dog cooked and served, every bag of popcorn and stick of cotton candy distributed, the candy for prizes, the painted banner, the flier invitations hand delivered, all of the set-up, decorating, and clean-up, and above all; the prayers and support that made our Harvest Festival a radical outreach of hospitality to our community. Truly, it was a blessing to everyone involved. And it would not have happened without YOU. THANKS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I pray that we take time to enjoy each day. I pray that we make it a priority to give thanks to God in all circumstances, and to rejoice in Him.

November often represents the beginning of the holidays. Thanksgiving being the “kick-off” so to speak. Once we reach this point in the calendar, it often seems that the pace can become so quick, that we miss the important features. So, this season, I pray that we take time to enjoy each day. I pray that we make it a priority to give thanks to God in all circumstances, and to rejoice in Him. It sounds simple, and it can be simple. But, we have to make the effort. Otherwise, we will certainly miss out on what God has in store for us.

While making your plans, and marking your calendars, please be sure and check the church calendar. We have many wonderful opportunities to gather as a family of believers and celebrate during this time of the year. If you haven't already signed-up for our mission outreach opportunity at Windwood Farms, it is Saturday, November 5th. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

As always, continue to pray for our children.

God Bless,
Debbie

Parents' Night Out
Division of the Children's Ministry

November 18th
6-10pm

Deadline to register Wednesday, November 16th

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

CONGREGATIONAL SUPPORT

Nursery

11/6 Melissa Chastain
11/13 Katherine Morris
11/20 Pam Dozier
11/27 Jeanne Waldron

Children's Church

11/6 Adrienne Sanderson
11/13 Kelly Nash
11/20 Holly Fesperman
11/27 Joy Clark

Greeters

8:45 Service
Clary & Doris Dawson

11:00 Service

11/6 Bill & Laura Rentz
11/13 John & Sara Murphy
11/20 Les & Cathy Crawford
11/27 John & Sara Murphy

Ushers

8:45 Service
11/6 Bob & Priscilla Kearns
11/13 David & Charlotte Van Hoose
11/20 Bob & Priscilla Kearns
11/27 David & Charlotte Van Hoose

11:00 Service

11/6 Mary Boyd Brown, Kalib
Moyer, Dick Schwab, Jo Swift
11/13 Dean Brown, Dick Schwab,
Tommy Rowland, Ted Quantz
11/20 Sandie Booth, Carol Mabe,
Linda Puckett, Doug Wilson
11/27 Ann Martin, JL McAlister,
Hannah Skinner, Pinckney
Skinner

Memorials & Honorariums

To the Capital Campaign

*In Loving Memory of Lorraine Henson
Ray and Michael Edwin Ray*
by Philip Ray

To the General Fund

In Loving Memory of Isabell Mayer
by Clara Rion

*In Thanksgiving of my children and
grandchildren*
by Clara Rion

FINANCE

Treasurer's Report for October, 2011

Total revenues of \$574,935 for the year through the end of October are \$3,080 under budget. Spending for the year to date was \$628,598, \$3,502 less than budget. If contributions continue to follow the favorable trend of the last two months we should end the year with only the small deficit that was planned. November and December are typically months in which we receive a high percentage of our annual contributions.

At the end of the first three months of the capital campaign we have received \$176,874, or more than 20% of the total amount pledged for the three-year campaign that began in August.

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").

Stewardship

Psalm of the Week Psalm 42

Sunday, October 30
Joshua 3:7-17
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
Matthew 23:1-12
Monday, October 31
Luke 5:1-11

Tuesday, November 1

Mark 2:13-17

Wednesday, November 2

Matthew 10:32-42

Thursday, November 3

Matthew 19:27-30

Friday, November 4

Jeremiah 2:1-13

Saturday, November 5

Ephesians 5:1-2

A Resurrection People

Psalm of the Week Psalm 90

Sunday, November 6
Amos 5:18-24
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

Monday, November 7

Luke 12:35-59

Tuesday, November 8

Hebrews 11:32-12:2

Wednesday, November 9

1 Peter 1:3-9

Thursday, November 10

Acts 17:16-34

Friday, November 11

John 11:1-44

Saturday, November 12

1 Corinthians 15:51-58

See...Judge...Act

Psalm of the Week Psalm 16

Sunday, November 13
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

Monday, November 14

Matthew 24:42-51

Tuesday, November 15

Colossians 4:2-18

Wednesday, November 16

1 Thessalonians 5

Thursday, November 17

1 Thessalonians 2

Friday, November 18

1 Thessalonians 3

Saturday, November 19

John 4:31-38

Christ the King

Psalm of the Week Psalm 44

Sunday, November 20

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Matthew 25:31-46

Monday, November 21

John 1:43-51

Tuesday, November 22

Luke 8:22-56

Wednesday, November 23

Acts 17:1-9

Thursday, November 24

Luke 19:28-40

Friday, November 25

1 Corinthians 15:1-28

Saturday, November 26

Matthew 26:1-29

Waiting and Watching--First Sunday in Advent

Psalm of the Week Psalm 97

Sunday, November 27

Isaiah 64:1-9

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37

Monday, November 28

Luke 1:67-80

Tuesday, November 29

Colossians 1:9-23

Wednesday, November 30

Mark 1:1-8

Thursday, December 1

Isaiah 43:1-13

Friday, December 2

Hebrews 10:11-25

Saturday, December 3

Zephaniah 3:14-20

NOVEMBER 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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.	1 12noon, Pastoral lunch	2 7:15am, Men's breakfast 12noon, bag lunch w/pastor 5:15pm, Bridges 5:30pm, Middle Sch Youth 6pm, Worship, Praise and Prayer, Fellowship Hall 6-7:15pm, 3-5th grds shop for Oper. Christmas Child 7pm, Chancel Choir	3	4	5 8:30am, Windwood Farm workday 9-12noon, private meeting in Fellowship Hall
6 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS 8:45am, communion 9:30am, Children's Music 2pm, Women's "SoulCare" 2:30-5pm, Youth rally, Lake City Pres 5pm Girls' choir	7 10am staff meeting 10am PW Coor team mtng 4pm, Serv to Community 5pm, Admin 6:30pm, Indigo 7pm Sr Hi Bible study Habitat Dinner, gym	8 6am-8pm, General Election in Connector	9 7:15am, Men's breakfast 12-1pm, bag lunch with the pastor 5:15pm, Bridges 5:30pm, Middle Sch Youth 6pm, Marikos Circle 6pm, "Gathering in the Word", Fellowship Hall 7pm, Chancel Choir	10	11 Preschool & FISH all day 11am, Sr Hi boys' Bible study group, Murrells Inlet movie trip	12 9:30am, Quilters
13 Operation Christmas Child boxes due 9:30am, Children's Music 2-3:45pm, Women's "SoulCare", Parlor 5pm Girls' choir 5:30pm, Sr Hi Youth	14 10am, CE, staff meeting 10am Miriam Circle 11:30am Inez Straight Cir 2:30pm, Leila Marvin Cir 7pm, Mary Martha Cir 5:30pm, Worship; Visitor/New Memb 6:30pm, Indigo 7pm Sr Hi Bible study	15 12noon, Social lunch 5:30pm, Session	16 7:15am, Men's breakfast 12-1pm, Bag lunch with the pastor 4pm, Perennials board 5:15pm, Bridges 5:30pm, Middle Sch Youth 6pm, Healing & Wholeness 7pm, Chancel Choir	17 9am, Perennials, SC Aquarium	18 Preschool Thanksgiving Feast, Fellowship Hall 6-10pm, Parents' Night Out	19 9:30am, Quilters
20 9:30am, Children's Music 10am, Combined worship, communion 11am, Celebration reception (stewardship) 2-3:45pm, Women's "SoulCare", Parlor 5pm Girls' choir 5:30pm, Sr Hi Youth	21 10am, staff meeting 6:30pm, Indigo 7pm, Sr Hi Bible study	22	23 Preschool and FISH closed	24 THANKSGIVING DAY Preschool and FISH closed	25 Preschool and FISH closed	26 9:30am, Quilters
27 FOOD PANTRY 9:30am, Children's Music 10am, Java & Jesus 5pm, Girls Choir 5:30pm, Sr Hi Youth	28 10am, Worship staff mtng 6:30pm, Indigo 7pm, Sr Hi Bible study	29 12:30-5:30pm, ARC blood drive 5:30pm, CE	30 7:15am, Men's breakfast 12-1pm, bag lunch with the pastor 5:15pm, Bridges 5:30pm, Middle Sch Youth 6pm, Celebration Service 7pm, Chancel Choir			Sunday Worship 8:45am and 11am Unless otherwise noted.

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