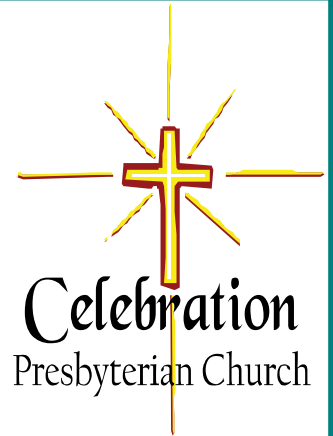


CELEBRATION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Upcoming Events for Christmas

*NOVEMBER 28—1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11:00 AM
REV. VAUGHN EARL HARTSELL PREACHING*

*DECEMBER 5—2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11:00 AM
REV. VAUGHN EARL HARTSELL PREACHING*

*DECEMBER 12—3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11:00 AM
GUEST PREACHER TBA
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF
ELECTING ELDERS FOLLOWING WORSHIP*

*DECEMBER 19—4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11:00 AM
REV. HOWARD HENSON PREACHING*

*DECEMBER 24 —CHRISTMAS EVE
WORSHIP SERVICE AT 8:00 PM
REV. HOWARD HENSON PREACHING*

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NEXT SESSION MEETING
DECEMBER 19 AT
12:30 PM

SESSION NOTES

By Lynn Bastian

Communion will be served on Sunday, December 5.

Congregational Meeting, Sunday, December 12 following worship. Purpose: Election of Elders

Next Session Meeting, Sunday, December 19 at 12:30 PM

It has been six weeks since we began our review, reference checking, interviewing, and prayerful consideration of candidates to fill the interim position to serve our church family. While we have had several candidates and two very qualified ministers with whom we have negotiated, our interim position remains open.

This process involves a lot of time, phone calls, communication among session, our Admin-

istrative Commission and the Presbytery office. As a session we are tasked with finding a minister to care for our congregation, who will reach out to the community, lead us on the development of a very important and long overdue Mission Study*, and guide us on our ultimate goal of securing a permanent minister for our church.

While we would love to have an interim in place for our next worship service, it is much more important that we have the right minister to serve our church family. God will provide that person who will join us and celebrate the loving and caring ministries that exist and are thriving at Celebration.

To our Celebration family, we know this time also brings

uncertainty and we encourage you to speak with any of your elders and ask questions that you may have, give any of us a call or send an email. We are happy to talk to you and listen to your concerns.

We thank you and ask for your continued prayers and support during this time.

**Mission Study is an in-depth study that helps to determine the identity, goals, and missions of an organization. This will clearly define who Celebration is, where our church is headed, and basically provides a roadmap for us to follow. There are several parts to this study which includes our members, the community, and the leadership of the church.*

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

By Jeanne Bredbeck



Jack Galloway was talking to the Thornwell representative when she was here recently and found out that the school used the money earned from collecting the box tops for education coupons to buy a flute for one of the children who wanted to take flute lessons in school. What better way to help a child than with music!

The coupons are on the tops of boxes of different foods we all use. If you have any of these in your pantry, please bring the coupons to church when you use the item. We will have a place for you to deposit them and we'll take care of getting them to Thornwell. They are redeemable for 10 cents each, not much, but put with many

others it adds up. Thornwell does its very best to pinch each dime to its fullest so let's help them in a way that costs us nothing but a couple of seconds of our time. Thanks for CARING!

BREAKFAST BUDDIES

By Pat Teal

We are into the holidays again and what better way to celebrate than a breakfast at the beach. We had the sun shining on the water, a place that served delicious food, a group of fun-loving people enjoying the fellowship, and of course excellent food.

We met at the 2nd Ave. Pier restaurant, thanks to our hostess, Carol Butler, and were delighted to see what a beautiful setting to have a get together.

The food is real yummy, and the prices very reasonable. I would highly recommend this restaurant. It is a new place, and has only been in business since this past July.

Our next breakfast will be held at IHOP on 501, December 17, at 9:00 A.M. This will be our Christmas Breakfast, so hopefully everyone will sign up, in the front of the Narthex. Bring your friends and family, and plan on having a joyous time.

Hope your Thanksgiving was Blessed and I wish you a Very Merry Christmas.



NEXT
BREAKFAST
BUDDIES WILL
BE AT THE IHOP
ON HWY 501
DECEMBER 17,
9AM



HOSPITALITY/LADIES LUNCHEON

By Jeanne Bredbeck

In December there will be no third Wednesday Potluck dinner on the 15th.

The Ladies' Christmas Luncheon will be Saturday, December 4, at 12:00 at the Cooper House in Socastee. The buffet menu will consist of chicken breast stuffed with wild rice, sliced prime rib, green beans, roasted potatoes, bread, green salad with rasp-

berry dressing, carrot cake, and tea or coffee.

We are once again asking everyone to bring an unwrapped toy for any age child, boy or girl, which will be taken to the Salvation Army for their Angel Tree distribution. Last year items for girls, ages 12-14, were in short supply.

The Cooper House is on the right side of Old 544 in Socastee, just before the swing bridge when you are headed toward the beach. Come and join us for a neat way to start the holiday season.



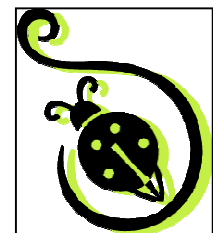
LADY BUG LUNCHEON

By Pat Teal

The Lady Bugs met at Planet Hollywood for their November luncheon. Eight ladies showed up on this rainy afternoon for a great time of food, conversation, laughs, and Bingo. Lady Luck was with our group as several "Bingos" could be heard shouted out from our

ladies. Winners included Karolyn Davey, Linda McCaskill, and Laurie Andrews. However, the big winner was Connie Dowd who won twice. This was after spending the morning having cataract surgery! It was decided not to meet in December as the Ladies Christ-

mas Luncheon at the Cooper House would only be 2 days after our regularly scheduled Lady Bug Luncheon. We are still looking for ideas for January. If you have a restaurant you'd like to suggest, please see Pat Teal.



NO
LUNCHEON
IN DECEMBER.

IDEAS FOR
JANUARY,
CONTACT
PAT TEAL

Youth of Celebration

YOUTH OF CELEBRATION

By Lynn Bastian

Youth gathered for a special get together on Sunday, November 14 at the home of Jackie and Scot Sinnet. They enjoyed hot dogs and s'mores while they chatted and caught up on what's been going on in each other's lives.

Sunday, October 31 Youth hosted All Hallow's Eve Celebration. We had a few very interesting guests including King David and a tourist that decided to take a detour before boarding his cruise ship. A hot dog lunch was enjoyed and a "Kooky Cake Walk" awarded winners with a yummy cake for their sweet tooth. Li'l Goblins' Craft Station, Rotten Apple Bobbing, and a colorful Pumpkin Patch were a few of the highlights.

Belk Charity Days direct ticket sales generated \$65 for our youth. This money, along with money and food donations generously provided by other church members was used to assemble seven Thanksgiving

food baskets for families in need at Carolina Forest Elementary School. A tip of the Halo goes to Barbara Belyski for suggesting this mission project. Special thanks to those of you that contributed to this project; to Jackie Sinnet for doing all the "leg work," assembling, and coordinating this project; to Larry and Connie Dowd for delivery of five basket to the school and one home-delivery, and to Bill Basden for preparing and delivering the seventh basket to a family on Thanksgiving.

REMINDERS: Youth He~Brews Coffee Bar meets the first Sunday of each month for students in grades 6 – 12. We invite all youth to join us at 10:15 for a hot beverage and snacks in the Youth Sunday School classroom #4.

Sunday, December 19 will be our Christmas Party and Gift Exchange. Please bring a wrapped gift, \$10 limit, to exchange.

As always, thank you for your prayers for our youth. God Bless!

DECEMBER SCHEDULE:

Sunday, December 5
10:15 AM He~Brews Coffee Bar, Classroom #4
11:00 AM Worship, Communion Served

Sunday, December 12
11:00 AM Worship

Sunday, December 19
11:00 AM Worship;
Congregational Meeting to follow, election of elders
4:30 – 6:30 PM Youth Group @ Jackie & Scott's home, Christmas Party and Gift Exchange

Sunday, December 24
8:00 PM Christmas Eve Worship

Sunday, December 26
11:00 AM Worship



CHILDREN'S CORNER

By Lauren Walsh



The children had a fantastic time at The Hanging of the Greens celebration. We began our time together with decorating cookies and fellowship. The children participated in the Chrismons presentation and were wonderful.

In Children's Church, we have been learning about the different ways God cares for us. These have been wonderful lessons for the children.

We are looking forward to our next family game night on

Wednesday, December 1, at 6:00. Please come join us for a delightful evening.



Christmas Eve Service, December 24, 8:00 pm. All are welcome!

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH



Take a moment to wish those who have a birthday this month birthday wishes or send them a card. If your birthday is not listed in your month, please contact the office to be included.

Birthdays in December

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 2—Steve Albright
- 3—Logan White
- 9—Gabby Barrington
- 11—Clint Belyski
- 18—George Vaupel
- 19—Pat McColl

- 21—Dorothy Silbersdorff
- 29—Jeanne Bredbeck
- 30—Sherry Leonard
- 30—Steve Siewert
- 30—Connor Walsh



RESTAURANT DEALS

Remember to save your **Rotelli Restaurant** receipts and turn them into the church office. Each month the owner of Rotelli's reimburses the church five percent of the total amount spent.

Ron Jon's Restaurant is giving the church \$2.00 for every \$10.00 pizza they sell to the church family. So save your receipts and turn them in to the church office.

Rosica's—take your current church bulletin when you order from there and they will collect them and then send a check to the church based on the total of the receipts.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

It is time to place your order for the Christmas Poinsettias. The cost for the red poinsettia is \$15.00 per plant. If you would like to order plants, please complete an

order form on Sunday, or call the church office. The deadline for ordering is December 6. The poinsettias will be placed in the church on Sunday, December 19 and may be

picked up and taken home after the Christmas Eve Service on December 24.

PRESCHOOL

By Susan Spraker



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the church for including us in Operation Christmas Child. It was a great way for us to introduce the spirit of giving to our preschoolers and get them started in the holiday season. A big thank you to everyone who donated items to fill the shoe boxes.

This month will be a very short one for the preschool. We are very excited to go to Christmas on Ice at the Palace Theatre. It will truly get everyone into the holiday spirit. In the classrooms, we will learn about different traditions celebrated throughout the world. Our holiday parties are scheduled for December 16th and 17th. If you are around on these days

and would like to join in the fun, it should be an exciting time in the preschool. All of us at the preschool would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The preschool will be closed December 20 – January 3, 2011. See you all next year!!!!

DECEMBER 2010

Sunday Schedule:

9:45 AM Sunday School for all ages

10:30-10:50AM Fellowship and Coffee

11:00 AM Blended Worship

Nursery and Children's Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Men's Breakfast at IHOP 8am Family and Fun Night 6pm	2	3	4 Ladies Christmas Luncheon 12-2pm Cooper House
5 He~Brews Youth Coffee bar 10:15am Second Sunday of Advent	6 Property Team 6:30 pm	7 Quilters 10am	8 Men's Breakfast at Kroger's 8am	9	10	11
12 Congregational Meeting 12:30 Third Sunday of Advent	13	14 Quilters 10am	15 Men's Breakfast at Kroger's 8am	16	17 Breakfast Buddies	18
19 SESSION Fourth Sunday of Advent Christmas Joy offering received	20	21 Quilters 10am	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Service 8pm	25 CHRISTMAS
26	27 Church office closed	28	29 Men's Breakfast at Kroger's 8am	30	31	



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**SUNDAY
SCHEDULE**

9:45AM
Sunday School for all ages
Nursery

10:30 AM
Fellowship

11:00 AM
Blended Worship Service,
Children's Church and Nursery

9:45 AM
New Members Class
(monthly on Sunday as needed)

12:30 PM
Session Meets
(3rd Sunday of every month)

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR**