

Greenlawn Baptist Church Columbia, South Carolina September/October 2017 Newsletter



Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Greenlawn Baptist Church on 9/15/2017. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle.

The M&M's are off again to Asheville, NC on an exciting trip!

When: Friday, October 13th Cost: \$65 with lunch on your own How: Capitol Tours Bus Leave at 7:00 am from Greenlawn and arrive back at Greenlawn at approximately 7:00 pm Payment due by September 3rd Please call Ann (788-3936), Norma (776-1655) or Jackie (776-1931) to make your reservation.

> Things we will be doing: Western NC Farmer's Market French Broad Chocolatier Shopping on Asheville's Main Street Lunch at J&S Cafeteria

Rob Baggett's Beat

Are You on Board?

"You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that –and shudder." James 2:19

Our beliefs are like the ocean – ever-changing, ever-moving, sometimes peaceful, sometimes volatile and violent. Our faith is a relationship with God, which, like a ship, carries us through the raging sea. We cannot live without beliefs anymore than a ship can sail without a sea. **But our beliefs are not the same as our faith.**

Our religious beliefs are also like maps that we use to get through life, and, like the early explorers, we are always seeking to update our maps as we gain more knowledge about life. **But religion is not the same as having a relationship with God.** God has revealed Himself and His plan of redemption for us through the Bible, but we will not attain salvation by even Biblical beliefs alone. We are saved only when we make our choice to have God as our captain. You are either on His ship or off His ship.

We come into a relationship with God when we admit that we are rebellious sinners who have been living our own way, repent of our sin, and accept Jesus as our Savior and Lord. Until we do that, we are "at sea" without a ship, flailing around, constantly in danger of going under.

Entering this relationship with God does not mean that we can avoid the sea, but that we are securely on board. As we grow in our relationship with Him, we learn how to cooperate with our captain to navigate both treacherous and peaceful waters. Through prayer, Bible study, worship, fellowship and service, we gain knowledge and wisdom, and begin to see the world as it really is. Most importantly, we realize that we can trust our captain. We learn as we go through life that though our knowledge is flawed and our faith is sometimes as shifting as the sea itself, our God is always faithful and keeps His promises. He will see us through any difficultly and will bring us into safe harbor in the end.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The generosity, love and prayers of Greenlawn enabled eight youth to attend Unidiversity at the University of Tennessee. Each day included two worship services with music (led by our own Sean Thomson), Bible lessons, skits and a message delivered by a dynamic minister. The youth went to Bible study and seminars which helped them understand how to be a Christian in today's world. Their electives included photography, sign language and sports. The youth enjoyed being on the campus of "rocky top." The adults on the trip did not like the hills and so many steps (so out of shape!). Meeting new people was the highlight for many on the trip. They especially liked getting to know Bridget's youth. On our free afternoon we used the Dollywood tickets donated by the WMU. It was a fun afternoon. Our youth participated in the worship services and one adult was seen losing on Family Feud. There is no way for us to know the impact of this week of study and fun for the youth, but there is no doubt they were all impacted by the experience. Thank you for supporting the youth of Greenlawn.



Greenlawn would like to congratulate Elliott Cooper. He has been presented **The Order** of the Palmetto Award. In a press release it was stated that Governor Henry McMaster presented Elliott the state's highest civilian honor that is awarded to citizens of South Carolina for extraordinary lifetime service and achievements of national or statewide significance.

He has led the federal district office in support of the state's small business community. Elliott oversees the district office and its capital, contracting, and counseling service lines.

He has retired after 26 years of service with the U.S. Small Business Administration-SC District Office.

Please congratulate Elliott on this prestigious award.

We would like to welcome Ms. Emma Malone to Greenlawn Baptist Church. She comes to us by transfer from Wesley Baptist Church in Lincolnville, SC.





Special Request

For almost a year the kitchen has been without an icemaker. Some of us who work in the kitchen regularly would like to have it replaced. It is both inconvenient and expensive to purchase ice. There are many occasions during the year when we need ice. Some of them are Vacation Bible School, Freedom Sunday Cookout, Christmas in July, Homecoming, Valentine's Day Banquet, WMU meals, Wednesday night suppers, covered dish fellowship, M&M lunches, bereavement meals, church showers and many others. As you can see from this list, there is a need for an icemaker. We are asking for the church's help in purchasing one. We are asking for donations to help us. If you would like to help, you can make a donation and designate it <u>icemaker fund</u>. Those of us who work in the kitchen to help with all these occasions would greatly appreciate your help.



Sharon Davis is missing the bottom of this beverage dispenser. If you found it or know where it might be please contact Sharon. Thank you.



2017-2018 WMU Emphasis: By All Means Watchword: "I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel that I may share in its blessings: (1 Cor. 9:22b-23)

Christmas in July, our Operation Christmas Child Kick-Off, was a great success. We had fifty in attendance and enjoyed a variety of good food. With everyone's help, we were able to assemble 100 boxes. Everyone was very generous in bringing supplies and toys to fill the boxes. We really appreciated those who helped us carry all the boxes and supplies up to the WMU room. We have been busy sorting everything into categories and are getting ready to start filling boxes. They have to be completed for National Collection Week November 13-20.

The WMU provided a meal for Family Promise on Tuesday, August 8. Greenlawn is a support congregation for Trinity Presbyterian Church. They help families who are experiencing homelessness by providing temporary shelter, food and hospitality for guest families. Our church is on a rotating schedule to help with meals.

Twenty ladies attended the WMU luncheon on Saturday, August 26th. It began with a fun craft activity. A table was set up with all the supplies needed to make colorful necklaces. Each person chose what they wanted to use, and soon they were all busy making necklaces for Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes. This activity was in memory of Pat Coogler, who was an ardent supporter and active participant in WMU mission projects. After this, members from each mission group gave a brief description of when they meet and the major projects they were involved with. Nonmembers were invited to join either of the groups and we got several new members. We ended with a delicious lunch. Everyone agreed it was a fun and enjoyable afternoon.

The next few months will be very busy for the WMU.

Our Ingathering for State Missions will be on Sunday, September 3rd. Our goal this year is \$1000.

On Saturday, September 9th, we will provide fried chicken, sandwiches and chips for the annual picnic at the Camille Griffin Correctional Institute. This is a joint effort for area churches.

In October, we will participate in the Pre-Fair Ministry by providing baked goods. These will be delivered to Columbia Metro to be used in their pre-fair ministry for the fair workers. They provide snacks and minister to workers prior to the opening of the fair. Coming up in November:

We will begin collecting items for Christmas Prisoner Packets for the Men's Correctional Institute. Watch for more details.

ONE DAY

The South Carolina Baptist Convention is planning a one-day mission trip to Columbia on November 7, 2017. Their theme is "How many lives could God touch in just One Day? Let's find out together." Their goal is to connect with churches in the Columbia area to assist them in their work in the community. All attendees are being asked to sign up for a project and bring copy paper to distribute to local schools. They will be given box lunches after the morning session and sent out to various churches to work alongside them on a variety of mission projects.

Greenlawn was asked to participate because of our relationship with the VA hospital. Our project will be a group of 30 attendees from the convention who will be "Honoring, thanking, singing and praying with our veterans" as we are nearing Veterans Day. We will be caroling down the halls of the hospital singing hymns and praying with the patients in the Community Living Center. We are asking those who sign up for our project to bring a small token such as body wash or disposable razors, for the patients. The team will come to our church and we will bus them to the VA where they will minister from 2-4 that afternoon.

Some churches in the Columbia area are sponsoring teams to visit apartment complexes and leaving brochures, visiting fire houses and police stations to pray with the men there, prayer walking around the State Capitol and praying for our elected officials. These are just a few of the projects that will take place on November 7.

You ask "How can I participate?" You can sign up for any project on the South Carolina Baptist website after September 1st and attend the Convention at Shandon Baptist Church. You can also join the SBC leaders in praying for this event. You can even sign up on the website for our project. You will be asked to list three choices just in case your project is filled. You can also bring a ream of copy paper to give for the schools in Columbia. You can also meet at Greenlawn at 1:30 on November 7 to show your support for our team. But the most important thing you can do is pray for what God can do in our city in just **ONE DAY**!

We haven't yet set a date for the Alice Thompson Thrift Sale but we will start accepting items as you have them. Please either take upstairs and put them in the hall or put at the bottom of True Street stairs while we are holding church service in the Fellowship Hall.



Our entire family joins me in thanking you for your prayers, calls, cards and other expressions of love and sympathy during the illness and death of my brother, Bill Hammond. As part of a video he made months ago, Billy expressed how much his childhood upbringing, both at home and at Greenlawn, meant to him throughout his life. He specifically mentioned VBS and RA's, where the influence of strong

Christian leaders played a big part in his life's direction. Throughout his last four years, ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) was extremely debilitating, but Billy's faith and positive spirit remained strong, which was a blessing to all who knew and loved him. Again, thank you for your love and concern... Jackie Stone

To Greenlawn Baptist Church. Thank you for supporting The Cooperative Ministry's mission in the second quarter of 2017 with your contribution of \$125.00. With your support we are to make a difference in the lives of working people living in poverty who find themselves in crisis situations. Together, we are showing God's love to those who are in need and on behalf of our clients we thank you for caring about The Cooperative Ministry's mission. Beth Irick. Executive Director

If you are visiting the church office please don't park in front of the mail box. The mailman says they won't deliver if the box is blocked. Thank you.



Emily's Post

The S.C. Baptist Ministries of Aging sent a card saying: "Thank you for your recent gift of \$204 to the 2017 Mother's Day Campaign."

My dear Greenlawn Friends. Thank you for your prayers, lovely cards of encouragement, calls and nourishing food during my recent illness. I am thankful to be back in church with you. Sincerely, Lib Smith

Mary Revels and granddaughter Madison Singleton had lunch with Cecily Kaufmann when she visited Columbia recently while her parents were touring Ireland. They live in Niles, Michigan, where Dad Ken is an OB GYN. Madison has been accepted into the Honor Society at Winthrop and begins her studies there this Fall.

Mary Revels and granddaughter Mackenzie recently visited Mary's sister in England and attended the 100th Birthday Party of Mary's last Aunt. They had a wonderful trip and Mackenzie declared English Chips better than American French Fries! Mackenzie saw her first Cathedrals dating back to the 11th century, and most famous landmarks in London. They had lunch at London's Methodist Central Hall in Wesley's Café!! (sorry Baptists, there wasn't a Baptist church handy!). Mary and Mackenzie are Edward Elgar aficionados and were thrilled to walk across his grave in Westminster Abbey!



Our homebound members are still doing well. Jane Brooks and Fraser Creech were added to our list. They are across the hall neighbors at Brookdale. Edna Cotton's room is close by. The Greenlawners are enjoying each others company. Janie Goodwin is looking and feeling well. She is in a unit with 7 other ladies and seems to enjoy being there.

Please remember our members who will be celebrating birthdays in September and October. They are: Naomi Davis on September 15, Gary Nesmith on September 16, and Wanda Stanley on September 28. Their addresses are in the church directory.

Please keep Jim Revels in your prayers, his hand muscles are contracting more, making it hard for the aides to move him as he cannot hold on to Hoya lifts or feed himself any more.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



September Birthdays

- 9/03 Bubba Clough
- 9/07 Graham Malone
- 9/07 Jamin Thompson
- 9/08 Jackie Stone
- 9/10 Carol Elliott
- 9/10 Ann Stroud
- 9/11 Courtney Brown
- 9/12 Shirley Glenn
- 9/12 Amy Love
- 9/14 Robert Griffin
- 9/15 Naomi Davis
- 9/15 Mary Litzinger
- 9/17 Susan Hornsby Avery9/19 Craig Roberts
- 9/23 Tammie Singleton
- 9/23 John Cotton
- 9/25 Betty Ladele
- 9/26 Richard Ruiz
- 9/28 Wanda Stanley
- 9/28 Rob Baggett
- 9/30 Keith Coffer
- 9/30 Sandy Wilson

October Birthdays	
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10/03	Rick Wilson
10/05	Sharon Davis
10/06	Lois Peake
10/09	Jean Cooper
10/10	Jeanette Mims
10/12	Joseph Karr
10/15	Chris Cagle
10/16	Jackie Hearn
10/16	Peggy Teague
10/16	Ann Morris
10/17	David Ladele
10/22	Sandra Teague
10/26	Angela Teague
10/27	Carol Wofford
10/29	Pat Smith
10/31	Lib Rentz



Greenlawn Baptist Church Calendar September 2017



Building Codes FH=Fellowship Hall CB=Children's Building CR=Conference Room

P=Parlor PR=Prayer Room SW=South Wing

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8:45 Deacon's Meeting 3 9:30 Public Relations Comm. Meeting, Peggy Gainey Classroom	4 Labor Day Office Closed	5	6 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 Children/Youth Missions & Music		8	9
10 9:00 Church Council, CR 11:00 Lord's Supper Youth will also speak during Worship. 1:00-4:00 Youth and Adults First Aid/ CPR. Cost \$20.00	11	12 9:00 Needlers 6:00 Finance Committee Meeting	13 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 Children/Youth Missions & Music		15 Lifeline Screening 9:00 Clean up Children's Building 6:00 Youth Bi Mo Drive- In, \$5.00	16
17 9:00 Children's Committee Meeting, CR 6:00 Hand Bell Practice 6:00 Church Conference	18	19 7:30 Men's Breakfast, Lizards Thicket, On Beltline 11:00 Connie Hammond-Florrie Rentz Mission Group	20 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 Children/Youth Missions & Music		22 6-8:30 Children Movie Night, FH, Moana	23
24 9:30 Prayer Committee Meeting, PR 12:00 Covered Dish Lunch 6:00 Hand Bell Practice	25	26	27 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 Children/Youth Missions & Music		29	30 10:00-2:00 Youth Car Wash
Sunday9:30 AMEarly Bird Ch9:45 AMSunday Morn11:00 AMWorship6:00 PMHand Bell Pra	ing Bible Study	10	6:15 PM 6:30 PM 7:20 PM	& Mus Pastor ³	en's /Youth Mi	ssions

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22 9:30 Prayer Committee Meeting, PR 12:00 Youth making Caramel Apples and lunch 6:00 Hand Bell Practice	23	24	25 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:00 Fall Festival, FH	26	27	28
29 9:00 5th Sunday Fellowship 6:00 Hand Bell Practice	30	31				

Sunday

9:30 AM	Early Bird Choir Tune-Up
9:45 AM	Sunday Morning Bible Study
11:00 AM	Worship
6:00 PM	Hand Bell Practice

Wednesday

6:15 PMChildren/Youth Activitie6:30 PMPastor's Bible Study7:20 PMSanctuary Choir
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Newsletter entries deadline is the 20th of every month.

