

*Greenlawn Baptist Church
Columbia, South Carolina*



*March/April 2018
Newsletter*



Sunday, March 25th	Palm Sunday Worship at 11:00 AM
Wednesday, March 28th	No evening activities.
Thursday, March 29th	Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00 PM Lord's Supper
Friday, March 30th	Good Friday Service at 7:00 PM
Sunday, April 1st	Easter Sunday Sunrise Service at 7:00 AM at Greenlawn Cemetery Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:45 Morning Worship at 11:00



In lieu of Easter lilies this year, a donation can be made to help fund the replacement of the outside doors in the Meade Building in honor or in memory of someone.

Please complete this form and return it along with your donation to the church office.

On Easter Sunday, a list of all honorariums and memorials will be included in the bulletin. **The last day to make a donation is Sunday, March 25th.**

In Memory Of:

In Honor Of:

Purchased

By: _____

Total Amount Donated: _____

Thank you!

Rob Baggett's Beat

Making Disciples of Our Children

I believe that we have a great opportunity to make disciples of this wonderful group of children attending our church regularly on Wednesday night and Sunday morning. And I mean disciples, not just church members.

To fulfill our mission as followers of Jesus, we must be diligent in teaching all the basic beliefs and practices of faithful Christians to every child and young person we know. In Deuteronomy 6: 5-9, we read: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, and when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the door frames of your houses and on your gates.”

In other words, we keep the focus on God and His way of living, all the time, wherever we are. We no longer tie symbols on our hands, bind God’s word on our foreheads or decorate our houses in quite the ways mentioned, but we have other ways of keeping our minds on God these days. In fact, it is much easier for us since we have not only printed Bibles and devotional books freely available, but also the entire Bible and devotional reading right on our phones and other electronic devices.

One advantage Greenlawn has right now is that either our children’s parents, grandparents or both are actively involved in bringing them to church and in attending Bible study and worship themselves. In ancient times, the faith was transmitted through the tent, the synagogue and the temple. What we have lost in many cases is the first piece, the tent. In other words, the home is key to ensuring that children are getting the message of Christ and His love because much of the faith is shared casually.

It is at home that children ask questions like “what does it mean that I am a sinner and that Jesus died for my sins?” Parents need to memorize a few key scripture verses and be able to talk about them. Here are a few examples:

Romans 3: 23 - “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” Can you explain that we sin when we live as though we don’t need God and when we are selfish?

Romans 6: 23 – “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” Do you understand that sin separates us from God, the source of life and all good gifts? Can you explain that when we accept Jesus as our Savior and Lord that we receive the gift of eternal life? Many of us think we have to earn salvation through self-improvement before God will accept us. Teach your children that God’s love and acceptance is a gift.

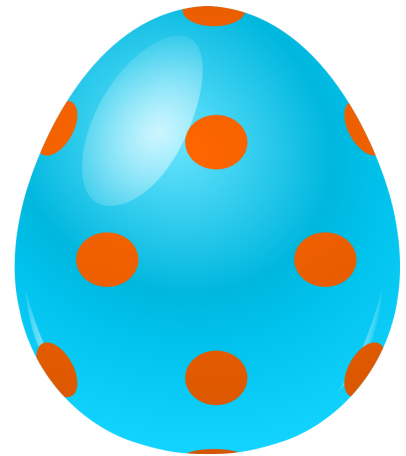
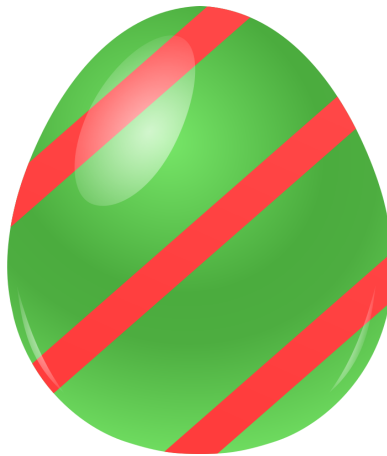
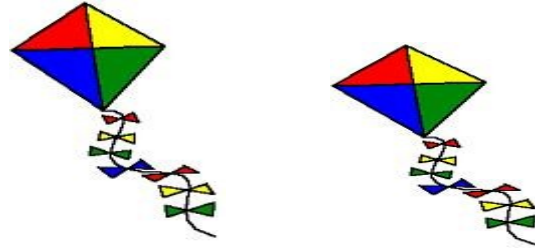
Revelations 3: 20 – “Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.” This verse refers to Jesus and it means that anyone who will invite Jesus into their hearts will receive him as their Savior and Lord. He will forever after be with them wherever they are and whatever they are going through. He will help them and sustain them in good times and bad, and he will receive them into His Kingdom one day.

Let’s commit ourselves to making disciples of our children wherever we are and whatever we are doing. One more verse that some of us have memorized recently may help you: Psalm 16: 8 – “I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.” Amen.

****Please join us for a Gospel Sing on Thursday, March 15th at 6:00.**

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

March 18th is Kite Day for the children at Woodland Park directly after church. Bring a bag lunch and a kite and meet at the park.



On Easter Sunday we will have an Easter Egg Hunt directly after worship. We are in need of wrapped candy. Please bring your donations to the church office.

End of the Year/VBS Kick Off will be held on May 23rd from 5:30-7:20. There will be a hot dog supper which will be free for all children and youth.



VBS will be held June 11-15 from 9:00-noon. We are in need of a few more Crew Leaders to go around with 5-6 children to the different stations. No prep is needed and it will be the easiest VBS job you have ever had. We will venture onto an uncharted island where kids survive and thrive. Anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms.

Items needed: Old crates, luau or grass skirts, sea glass, life preserve rings, ship wheel, inflatable raft and large burlap sacks. There will be a donation board set up in the Vestibule for these items. If you select an item please bring it to the church office by May 27th. Thank you.

WMU News



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)"

WMU Focus Week was February 12-18. Our theme for WMU this year is "By All Means". For us at Greenlawn, this means that we reach out to others to share God's love "by all means" possible. With your help, we have been able to minister to prisoners through our Christmas Packets and the Women's Correctional Picnic. We were able to help the homeless by providing warm clothes and care bags and providing meals for Family Promise. We brought Christmas joy to Veterans with our Christmas gifts and also provided housing for their families at the Spouse House. We were able to send 202 Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes to children all over the world. We ministered to foreign college students by providing lunch for international students. We helped feed the hungry by supporting the local food pantry. We supported our community by contributing to the Women's Shelter and the Oliver Gospel Mission. These are just a few of the opportunities where Greenlawn has been able to demonstrate the love of Christ through our mission projects.

None of these projects would be successful without the help of our congregation. As a special thank you, the WMU hosted a breakfast on Sunday, February 18. We had 34 in attendance and enjoyed a delicious breakfast. Thank you for your willingness to help with our mission projects.

Our Home Mission Ingathering will be Sunday, March 4. Our goal is \$1200.

HUGE Thrift Sale

April 27th 12:00-5:00

April 28th 8:00-1:00

Alice Thompson Thrift Sale Drop Off Dates

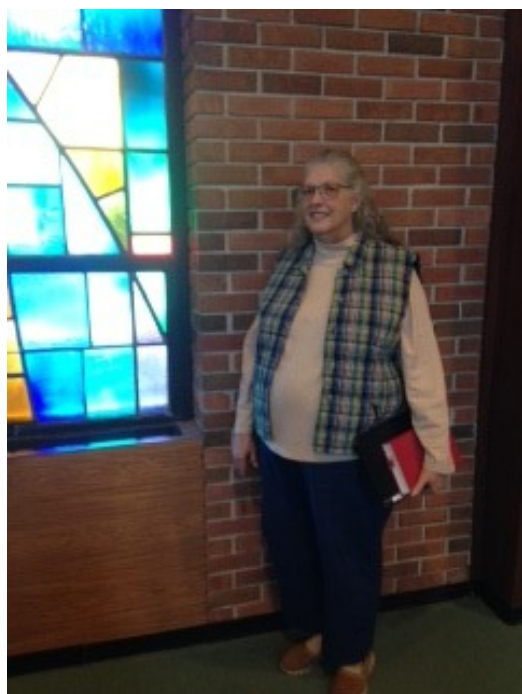
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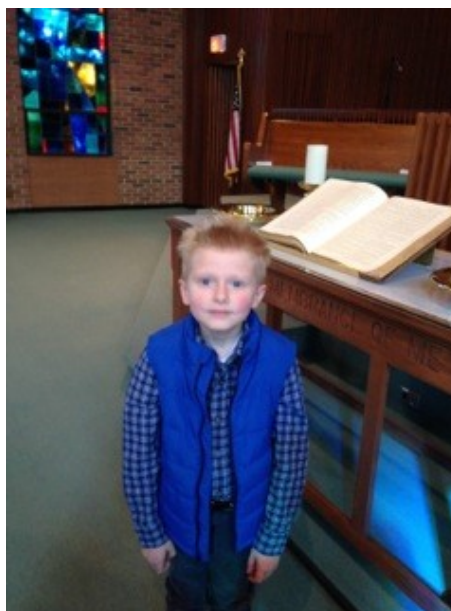
Week of April 23-26

Welcome

New Members



Elaine McElhaney
7239 Patricia Drive
Columbia, SC 29209
783-6134



Nathan Boulet
Son of Kelly and Todd Boulet

Emily's Post



Homebound Department

Five of our sweet members have gone to be with the Lord. They will each be missed: Virginia Coats, Fraser Creech, Maude Jordan, Sue Nesmith and Tootsie Perry. The children of Greenlawn made valentines for the homebound members. They were deeply appreciated. The youth made decorations for the doors of Jane Brooks and Edna Cotton. They were the envy of Brookdale. Thanks to the leaders of these kids who encourage the children to remember the homebound. Please remember the following on their birthdays:

March 30 Olene Russ @ White Oak Manor, Room 208, 3001 Beechaven Road, Columbia, SC 29204:

April 1, Jane Brooks @ Brookdale Sr. Living Solutions, Apt. 206, 251 Springtree Dr, Columbia, SC 29223:

April 10 Janie Goodwin @ Wildewood, 1001 Wildwood Downs Circle, Assisted Living Fac, Memory Care Unit, C105, Columbia, SC 29223;

April 20 Mary Robinson @ Colonial Gardens 3565 Sunset Blvd, Room 12, West Columbia, SC 29169.



A THANK YOU to Greenlawn Baptist Members, acknowledging a large packet of stamps sent recently. We gratefully acknowledge your kind support of our program. Your contribution of US used stamps will help cheer a hospitalized or outpatient Veteran. We thank you on behalf of those who will benefit from your generosity and for your continuing support of our Veterans. Sincerely, **John M. Hotchner, VP Stamps For the Wounded (est.1942)**

On behalf of the Columbia SC-WJB Dorn VAMC patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your items for the Veterans. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you again for future events. **Tammy Finney, Chief, Voluntary Service**

Dear Greenlawn Baptist, I wanted to take a moment to thank all of the Family Promise volunteers who so willingly give up their time and energy. I also wanted to update you on the last group of families who came through the program in November. The week after we hosted these four families, they were all able to find permanent housing! What a blessing for them, especially at Christmas. I was able to visit with two of the families in their new apartments and they were so very excited to have their own place. Trinity could not offer to be a host church without Greenlawn's volunteers. The meal that you provide the families is very much appreciated. **In Christ, Debbie Wood, Trinity Presbyterian FPC**

Dear GBC, Words cannot express how grateful our family is for the love, kindness, meals, cards and prayers for our mom. How she loved her church and church family. We are grateful to the Homebound Committee who made sure that she knew how much she was loved and to the children of Greenlawn whose cards she loved receiving. The love of this church family is so cherished by our family. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. **Love, Margaret Osburn and all the family of Maude Jordan.**

Emily's Post and More!



Ketin San, former Greenlawn member, became a United States citizen on February 9, 2018. She joins the rest of her family as an American Citizen.

CW5 James E. Revels Sr. was “wrapped” in a Quilt of Valor stitched for him by the local chapter of QOV, on Saturday, February 17, 2018. Members of the Military Officers Association were present at Rice Estate to honor Jim. Anyone can nominate a deserving veteran at :info@QOVF.org.



The Patrick Building dedication will be held on Sunday, April 15. The Patrick's daughters, Rose and Marian, and their family and friends will be with us during the 11:00 Sunday service, which will be followed by the dedication of the building (previously called the South Wing) and a luncheon for everyone in the Fellowship Hall. We hope all of you will plan to attend and we hope to be joined that day by church members from the past whose lives were touched by the Patricks.

We look forward to this special time of remembering and honoring the memory of Marion (Pat) Patrick and Velna Patrick, who were lifelong, devoted servants of our Lord and faithful members of Greenlawn for nearly 60 years.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



March Birthdays

3/01 Dot Black
3/06 Susan Britt
3/10 Katie Dodson
3/10 Lia Hearn
3/12 Carolyn Freeman
3/15 Bob Knox
3/15 Margie Clough
3/16 Todd Boulet
3/17 Brandon Sanders
3/23 Tommy Smith
3/24 Leigh Peake
3/25 Calvin Blackwell
3/25 Matthew Blackwell
3/25 Ken Black
3/25 Tommy Brown
3/29 Barbara Lucas
3/30 Olene Russ
3/30 Ian Michael Singleton

April Birthdays

4/01 Ben Cagle
4/01 Jane Brooks
4/02 Grayson Sanders
4/10 Janie Goodwin
4/14 Mary Kate Blackwell
4/15 Jermaine Singletary
4/20 Mary Robinson
4/21 Annette Wright
4/21 Hope Hornsby
4/22 Matt Blackwell
4/22 Bobbie Miles
4/24 Matthew Smith
4/25 Terry Fish
4/25 Terri Hill





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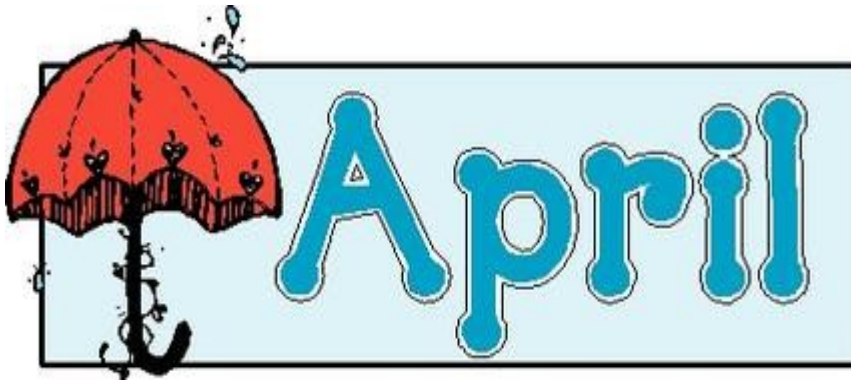
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4 In Gathering for Home Missions 8:45 Deacon's Meeting, Room 108, PB 9:00 Public Relations Comm. Meeting, Peggy Gainey	5	6	7 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 Children/Youth Missions & Music	8	9	10 9-11 Thrift Sale drop off
11 9:00 Church Council, CR	12	13 9:00 Needlers 6:00 Finance Committee Meeting	14 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 Children/Youth Missions & Music	15	16 6:00 Youth Sleep over until 10 am Saturday	17
18 9:00 Children's Committee Meeting, CR 12:00 Kite Day at Woodland Park 4:00 Church Conference	19	20 7:30 Men's Breakfast, Lizards Thicket, On Beltline 11:00 Connie Hammond-Florrie Rentz Mission Group	21 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 Children/Youth Missions & Music	22	23	24
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

**Newsletter entries deadline is the 20th
of every month.**



**If you would like to be added to the Prayer Chain email list
please contact the church office.**

**If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in memory
of or in honor of someone the sign up sheet is in the hallway
behind the Sanctuary.**

**The Decorating Committee has noted that many of the decorations
they use are in very poor condition. If you would like to make a
donation to replace these often used decorations please make a note on
your contribution envelope.**

**Don't forget Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 11th. We move
our clocks forward.**

Thank you.