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Editor's Comments:

Please use my e-mail address to submit stories, events, happenings, or other information that you would like in the newsletter. If you do not have a computer, please give it to me in person or mail it to me. The deadline for all news items to be submitted is the 20th of each month. That will give me time to have it compiled and printed for distribution on the last Sunday of the month.

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Pastor's Ponderings:



Pastor Wally is taking a break and will not be pondering in August.

New Sermon Series:

I am pleased to announce that, starting Sunday September 9, I will begin a seven part sermon series on what it means to become a disciple of Jesus Christ and what it means to grow as a disciple of Christ. This series will include select passages from the Gospels and the Book of Acts. I am excited about this sermon series and pray that it will be fruitful for all of you. Please plan to attend our worship services during the time of these sermons in September and October and tell your friends and family about them.

- Rev. Wally Culp



Baptism:

Millie Koelzer, daughter of Dani and Korey Koelzer, will be baptized during the worship service on August 5th. Millie is the granddaughter of Kent and Linda Millwood and David and Jana Koelzer.

From the Nurture Team:

*"When you pray, will you pray for me, For I need His love and His care.
When you pray will you pray for me, will you mention my name in your prayer.
When I pray, I will pray for you, for you need His love and His care.
When I pray, I will pray for you, I will mention your name in my prayer."*
by Bill Gaither

Back to School this month! Congratulations with the best year to come! We gave 7 students gift cards from Walmart to help with school supplies. Max Walfield was promoted to Ms. Pat's 4th- 7th class starting in September. Thank you Latimer Ladies for the special "Back To School" fellowship luncheon the end of July.

Giving thanks for our Sunday School Leaders, and nursery attendants, Let's recognize the following dedicated folks:

Andy Bullions, The Men's Group
Ron Walfield, The Huffman Class

Gloria Eaves, The Hipp Class
Pastor Wally and John Pinson , Teen Class
Pat Wilson, 4th – 7th Class
Glenda Conley and Sandy Sorrow, Pre-school and the Early Elementary Nursery, Judith DuBose, Reginia Bullions, Andy Bullions, Gloria Eaves, Gay Walfield, Hannah Brooks, Susie Howell, Nancy Ellett.

Thanks to all the substitutes and those who fill in at the last minute.

Blessings of the Backpacks will be August 26 during the worship service. Followed by a wonderful Food and Fellowship luncheon.

Continue to remember our sick and homebound. If you know someone who would like a visit, a Newsletter, copy of Wally's sermon, let me know so we can ensure no one is skipped. A phone call and cards are effective ways to let our homebound members know they are still a big part of our loving church family.

We still are in need of helpers in the nursery and serving opportunities for Users and Greeters.

Hope all enjoy the waning days of summer.

Our next Nurture Meeting is Wednesday, August 1, 11am.

- Sandy Sorrow

From the Outreach Team:

We continue to prepare and serve lunch to the monthly Grief Support Group. We invite anyone who has a need for support to join us on the fourth Wednesday at noon.

We assist the Latimer Memorial United Methodist Men in serving our veterans at Richard Campbell Veterans' Home.

We continue to miss Alice Bryant and Jane Burnett. We are thankful that Gloria Eaves joined our team.

- Pat Wilson



The Treasurer's Report:

For the period of June 19 to July 11, Latimer has had the following receipts and expenditures. The amount received for budget purposes was \$5,903.00. For the same

period expenditures have been as follows: Salaries and benefits: \$2,245.64; FICA \$167.35; Direction Billing - \$2,795.00; Utilities: \$753.25; Office Expense: \$28.96. An itemization of budget amounts and payments is posted monthly in the counting room.

- Linda Millwood

The Liturgist's Schedule:

August 5th - Ron Walfield
August 12th - Kent Millwood
August 19th - Linda Millwood
August 26th - Sandy Sorrow

Church Council:

The Church Council met on Tuesday, July 10th. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 11th at 5:00 PM.

Guest Ministers:

Rev. Culp will be out of the office from August 12 to August 20 as he attends the United Methodist Board of Discipleship Conference in San Diego, CA. While he is gone, the Rev. John Culp will be the guest minister on August 12 and Andy Bullions will be the guest minister on August 19.

Offering Counters:

August 5th - Ron Walfield
John Pinson
August 12th - Ron Walfield
Kent Millwood
August 19th - Ron Walfield
Jim DuBose
August 26th - Ron Walfield
Frank Sorrow

Choir Practice:

Choir practice will be held every Wednesday at 10:00 AM.

Ushers:

August - Frank Sorrow

September - Frank Sorrow

Grief Support Group:

There will be no Grief Support Group meetings in July or August. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 26th.



The Blessing of the Backpacks ceremony will take place during our regular worship service on August 26th.

August Food and Fellowship Meal:

We need a volunteer to host the August Food and Fellowship Meal. If your group would like to do this please let Sandy Sorrow know.

Our Homebound:

Charles Campbell
Ernie Emhof
Jane Woodson
Phillip Brannon
Jackie Manning
Peggie Bromeling

The Latimer Lovelies:

The Latimer Lovelies will meet at noon on August 8th at O'Charley's.

VBS 2018 Children



Our Prayer Concerns:

Kim Bradbury, Phillip Brannon, Peggy Bromeling, Billie Jo Campbell, Charles Campbell, Danielle Clavier, Rene Clavier, Nancy Cothran, Katie Coward,

Gloria Eaves, Margaret Ellett, Tony Ellett, Barb Emhof, Ernie Emhof, Fred and Linda Emhof, Elsie Gilbert, Jim Grubbs, Judi Harris, Katie Hinkle, Georgia Keen, Amy and Jim Lane, Jackie Manning, Emily McAlister, Pam McAlister, Randy Morrison, Nancy Nagel, Brenda Parfitt, Dot Peck, Keith Ridgeway, Sybill Sellers, Norma Timms, Trevor Willis, Frank Woods, Jane Woodson, Ben and Nancy

Jane Burnett:

Jane Burnett has recently moved to. Her new address is 206 Kate Fowler Road, Ninety-Six SC 29666.

"Me to We" Quilt:



Our UMW participated in the "ME TO WE" quilt project. This was a way for local churches to identify their ministries and celebrate their connection to the district and conference. Several local

churches prepared a quilt square depicting their particular ministry. We chose to highlight our “Comfort Meals” ministry. The squares were lovely prepared and stitched together, forming a quilt and presented to the Anderson District Superintendent Rev. Susan Leonard Ray.

- Sandy Sorrow

Prayer Breakfast:

The Prayer Breakfast will be every Tuesday at 8:00 AM.



Latimer Memorial UMC Men's Club:

The UMC Men's Club breakfast and meeting will be Sunday, August 19th at 9:00 AM.

United Methodist Women:

The United Methodist Women will not meet in August. They will resume meeting on Monday, September 10th.

Nursery Workers:

August 5th - Gloria Eaves
Judith DuBose
August 12th - Andy Bullions
Hannah Brooks
August 19th - Regina Bullions
Nancy Ellett
August 26th - Gloria Eaves
Judith DuBose

Richard Campbell Nursing Home:

“Brinner” at the Richard Campbell Veterans Nursing Home will be Wednesday, August 22nd.



Blessing of the Sweaters:

On June 26th we had a special Blessing of the Sweaters which were knitted by Peggie Bromeling. Peggie has been knitting these sweaters for many years. They are sent to poor countries and are given to their children.

Bishop's Corner:

One Bite at a Time

By Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

“If God gives such attention to the appearance of wildflowers—most of which are never even seen—don’t you think he’ll attend to you, take pride in you, do his best for you? What I’m trying to do here is to get you to relax, to not be so preoccupied with getting, so you can respond to God’s giving. People who don’t know God and the way he works fuss over these things, but you know both God and how he works. Steep your life in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. Don’t worry about missing out. You’ll find all your everyday human concerns will be met. Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don’t get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes.”—Matthew 6:30-34 (The Message)

It has been a few days since the 2018 session of the South Carolina Annual Conference came to an end

and a new conference year took flight.

For those who gathered in Greenville, followed along on the livestream or read updates available through social media and other communication channels, you are familiar with the vast depth and breadth of ministry opportunities in which your church can participate in mission from anywhere to everywhere. You have been inspired, motivated and called into action. It is evidence that our time spent in Greenville was a glorious expression of Christian conferencing and celebration. The graciousness of God and the generosity of God's people were experienced in excellent ways.

We also know that the moment you arrived back home, you had days of emails to catch up, family that had not seen you and day-to-day work that needed to be attended to. Because of the busyness of everyday life, the details about the many resources available to your local church jotted down in the margins of your registration packet now sits in the corner of your office or maybe still in the trunk of your car.

While the Annual Conference has concluded, the real work begins.

To that end, there is an age-old question that has elicited a myriad of responses over the years; namely, "How do you eat an elephant?" Some may focus on which method to employ or the tools needed to accomplish the task. Others may wonder why that particular question is even being considered.

There is a key leader among us, however, whose daily life includes consideration of such details. The Rev. Kenneth L. Nelson ably serves as the South Carolina Annual Conference Secretary. Nelson's humble spirit and calm demeanor permeate the entire process of planning, execution and follow up related to our annual gathering.

Nelson leads with the knowledge that God has already gone before us all and that, when we keep the faith and do our work, all will be well. The fruits of this labor are reaped when we gather together each June.

I want to extend deep appreciation to Nelson and the entire team of committed volunteers who give of their time, talents, gifts and service in such a significant

way. This monumental task can seem overwhelming from a distance, but Nelson and his team approach the work one step at a time, seeking a more excellent way and always giving credit to God almighty.

As we lean into God's preferred future, we recognize that the church is more than brick and mortar. The church is defined by people who have committed their lives to Jesus Christ, people who are dedicated to service in their community and witness wherever God leads them.

So, how do you eat an elephant? The answer is simpler than it seems. You do it one bite at a time. In walking by faith in a more excellent way of being in mission from anywhere to everywhere, we learn how to trust God, do our work and know all will be well one day at a time.

