

Dorchester Presbyterian
Church



October 2016

The Good News

To the Congregation and Friends of Dorchester Presbyterian:

I am thrilled to be joining your family! I have already received a warm welcome in my first few days. I can even say that my job has started off with a bit of a bang on my first night, as a Coke exploded in the employee refrigerator and blew the door wide open. It was a humbling reminder that yes, I'm not perfect and certainly in need of God's grace. I think that's the beauty of ministry though, especially with youth. Youth need to know that perfection has only been achieved by Christ and that as humans, to be imperfect is beautiful because that's the way God made us: perfectly imperfect and in His own image.

It even provides a good laugh when you turn around and the Coke has exploded in the freezer!

I am a lifelong Presbyterian. I love the church and I love people. I grew up in Rock Hill, SC and attended Presbyterian College before transferring to and graduating from The Citadel. I have also spent the last few years at First Scots volunteering with the youth and being a part of several other groups. I enjoy watching sports and cheering on the Bulldogs. My mother has passed her passion of music on to me and I attend several live shows a week. I have a cat that is a terrible roommate, but a good friend.



I look forward to getting to know each and every member of this congregation as we move forward — seeking Christ's call for us together.

Peace of Christ,
Saye Simpson

WORSHIP SCHEDULE
SUNDAYS
10:15 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:00 a.m.

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

DPC Welcomes
Saye Simpson

Good Shepherd
School

All Saint's Day

Children's Sabbath

World
Communion Sunday

PYC
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October Birthdays

GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL

September was a superbly sensational month at the Good Shepherd School!



We honored our Grandparents by hosting a special breakfast to thank them for blessing us with the gifts of their children's children! Our Attraction Dining and Value Guide fundraiser was such a success that we are able to purchase a keyless entry system for the upstairs of the school building! It is our hope that you will join us on October 28 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. for our annual Fall Festival. We are currently seeking volunteers to donate pumpkins, hay bales, mums or just your time towards making this an eventful afternoon for the school. We are very excited about the new things that God has in store for us, including a new administrative assistant, new teachers, and a few substitutes.

If you or someone that you know loves children and is looking for a career in childcare, please give us a call at (843) 875-8722 or send an email to

gss@dorchesterpresbyterian.org.

Kim Monnet & Sherry Posadas—Co-Directors

ALL SAINT'S DAY SERVICE

NOVEMBER 6

The Memorial Garden Board of Trustees will lead the All Saints' Day Service on Sunday, November 6, 2016. This day is set aside to remember and honor those souls who have passed on during the past twelve months. For those who wish to provide names of loved ones or friends who have gone on to glory, inserts will be provided in the October 16th, 23rd and 30th bulletins. Please fill out the insert and return in the offering plate, mail, or bring to the office. The names will be printed in the November 6th bulletin, and a candle of remembrance will be placed on the altar.





The 2016 National Observance of Children's Sabbaths® Celebration, "Children of Promise: Closing Opportunity Gaps" will be held October 23 and will focus on closing opportunity gaps due to poverty and lack of access to high-quality early childhood development and a high-quality education so that every child can reach their God-given potential.



At Dorchester Presbyterian, we want to involve all children in the church service on Oct 23rd. Please contact Pam Brice: pgbrice72@gmail.com

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday, which celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. Paul tells us that we are to "discern the body" when we partake of Holy Communion, mindful that we note our relationship to all our brothers and sisters in Christ in the celebration. Thank you Bill & Isabelle Rooney for preparing the table.

PYC UPCOMING EVENTS

October

- 2- Wild Blue Ropes
- 9- "Money Matters" by Doug
- 16- Hunger Game
- 22- HAITI YARD SALE
- 23- West Farm Corn Maze
- 30- Small Group & Costumes



November

- 4-6- Middle School Bethelwoods Retreat
- 6- Random Acts of Kindness
- 13- Cook for Home of Hope
- 13- Small Group & Spike ball
- 27- NO PYC



December

- 4- Small Group & Games
- 11- Cookie Walk & Caroling
- 18- Stockings at 180 Place & Party Christmas Parties
- 25- NO PYC



2017

- February 10-14 High School Bethelwoods Retreat
- June 3-10 High School Montreat Conference
- June 14-21 HAITI Mission Trip
- July 8-15 Salkehatchie Summer Service
- July 19-23 Montreat Middle School Conference
- August 7-9 Do.Love.Serve

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 8

Wedding of
Peter Jones &
Michele Robertson

October 9

Stewardship
Sunday

October 15

Colonial Bazaar

October 23

Children's Sabbath

October 30

Reformation
Sunday

November 6

Daylight Saving
Time Ends

All Saint's Day

November 19
Church Workday

November 27

Advent Festival

December 11

Cookie Walk &
Caroling

HIGHLIGHTS FROM SEPTEMBER'S SESSION

Under the Pastor's Report:

Jeff reported the Boy Scouts would like permission to build a permanent storage area on the church property approximately 10 feet x 10 feet. Session approved the request on the condition the church approved the design beforehand and that it does not take up any parking spaces.

He officiated at the wedding of Chelsey Smith and Patrick Breen (Chelsey is Bob & Joan Semle's granddaughter) on September 24 in the sanctuary.

He will be attending the Presbyterian Hunger Program in Louisville, Kentucky from October 11 through 14.

He has an additional week of vacation to take that he may use to visit his grandmother.

Under Communications:

Jocelyn Pryor and Jeff both attended the quarterly Presbytery Meeting held on September 17 at Hilton Head Island and gave their report.

Under Committee Reports:

The Deacons are working hard to meet all of the needs in the congregation. Please look for opportunities to reach out with a meal, card or call when the need arises.

Our Youth kicked off the new year after summer with 61 youth! They have a year full of exciting trips, mission opportunities, fellowship and culminating next year with a trip to Haiti for 15 of them in June! Look for new T-shirts that will be worn for their off-campus activities and ways to support them with their carwashes, yard sale (October 22), cookie walks, rent-a-youth program and much more!

The Finance Committee reported that August was not as good with contributions as in previous months, but that is not unusual for the end of the summer. As of the

date of the Session meeting, the church was in the hole \$8,200, but still has savings, stock and the bills have been paid.

Christian Ed. reported that all Sunday School teacher positions have been filled and commissioned. The Children's Church graduation and 1st Grader Bible Presentation ceremony was held on September 18 during worship. Tina Kuhlmann and Julie Richardson are interested in starting another Women's Bible Study after Christmas so be on the lookout for their announcement. The Committee also welcomed a new member, Andrea LeSchack.

The Fellowship Team reported the popular November 11-13 Women's Retreat is sold out! They are recovering from the wonderful luncheon they coordinated for the joint worship service with Zion-Olivet. It gets bigger and better each year!

The Mission Committee is working on God's Gift Shop material, the DPC Mission pamphlet and putting together the families who will be recipients from this year's Charlie Brown Project. They also shared that William Veal will be traveling to Cameroon on a mission trip in October. The committee approved his request to collect school supplies from the congregation and will be focusing on this mission for Second Sunday Stewardship in October. June 14 through 23, 2017 is the date approved for the Haiti Mission Trip. Leigh Burnette will lead the group and there will be only 15 slots available. The American Council for Suicide Prevention is sponsoring a walk at Hampton Park on October 16. Registration is at 1 p.m. and the walk begins at 2 p.m. There is no cost to participate.

The Good Shepherd School reported a new Administrative Assistant, Shelley Giguere, has been hired. Welcome aboard Shelley!

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

They held a Grandparents' Day celebration and a successful open house and spaghetti supper fundraiser in September. They are now focusing on the Fall Festival on October 28. The school ended the year with a surplus of \$41,229 which was due in part to having more students than were budgeted. They discussed the need to possibly use this surplus to improve the appearance of the aging school. They also agreed that next year's budget would be based on a maximum number of 87 students. The school's AC units are now 10 years old and the church is responsible so their condition will be closely monitored. And they are still looking at the possible purchase of another sun screen similar to the one currently on the playground. On an exciting note, a representative from First Steps will be meeting with the school to present them with a plaque for the high quality of care that GSS gives to children!!

The Personnel Committee has been busy with interviews for the new GSS Administrative Assistant position and other teacher vacancies.

The Property Committee reported they made repairs to one AC unit at GSS for the cost of \$700, completed some plumbing repairs at the fellowship hall, replaced two emergency lights and are working on some security equipment for the church office.

The Worship Committee will be making another announcement to the congregation reminding them that OK Florist in Summer-ville is the only florist that has a key to the sanctuary and can make deliveries for them. Of course members are welcome to use any florist when ordering flowers, but members will have to make arrangements to get a key to have them placed in the sanctuary or just bring them

Sunday morning. The committee is also working to update some other church policies.

The Presbyterian Women reported the first meeting after the summer break was held on September 22 and the new officers were sworn in. Remember, all members of Dorchester are welcomed! The Bible Study for this year will be from Horizons, entitled "Coming to the Waters." The next big project is the Annual Colonial Bazaar on October 15. Volunteers are needed to help make items for the bake sale, to make your delicious soups for sale by the quart, set-up, clean-up, park cars and a plethora of other ways! If you're available, please contact Candy King.

The Christian Education Search Committee reported that after a lengthy search, and in consideration of the fact that the youth programs are growing at a great rate, they recommended hiring a full time Youth Director as well as a part time CE Director. Their choices were Joseph "Saye" Simpson as the Youth Director and Andi Stem as the part time CE Director. After considerable discussion and prayer, Session approved the Committee's recommendations and thanked them for their tireless research and energy. Please everyone welcome and congratulate Saye and Andi!

Under Unfinished Business, the Nominating Committee reported on the status of their search for Ruling Elders, Deacons and Good Shepherd School Board Members. Look for more news about a Called Meeting of the Congregation to elect officers.

All for now!

Kathy Worthington,
Clerk of Session

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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| Mike Lesko | 3 |
| Danielle Lodge | 6 |
| Diane Raneri | 7 |
| Cheryl Boan | 8 |
| Sue Nelson | 8 |
| Elaine Killough | 9 |
| Ron Foreman | 9 |
| Robin Monnet | 9 |
| Steve Wells | 13 |
| Lydia Rogers | 13 |
| Taylor Blackwelder | 14 |
| Laura Donnelly | 16 |
| Betty Clark | 19 |
| Shirley Monnet | 20 |
| Sue Boyd | 22 |
| Jeff Kackley | 23 |
| Russell Huiet | 24 |
| Benjamin Graves | 24 |
| Jackson Wells | 25 |
| Georgia Dupree | 26 |
| Catherine Rundall | 27 |
| Anne Peterson | 30 |



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POSTAGE

DORCHESTER



Rev. Jeff Kackley, *Pastor*

Pat Jones, *Pastoral Intern*

Andi Stem, *Christian Educator*

Saye Simpson, *Youth Director*

Kevin Gossett, *Choir Director*

Angie Krouse, Linda Wills, *Organists*

Amy Plexico & Angela Laflin,
Nursery Staff

Dianne Dube, *Financial Administrator*

Simplicia Smith, *Church Administrator*

SUNDAY MORNING

Worship: 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

DORCHESTER SESSION

Elders

Class of 2016: Kelly Burchette (1 yr.)
Rebecca McBrearty
Shirley Monnet
Bill Rooney
Ansley Savage (1 yr.)
Roslyn Taylor
Joe White

Class of 2017: Martha Sue Hope
Linda Jenkins
Peter Jones
Joey Kuhlmann
Jocelyn Pryor

Class of 2018: Pam Brice
Jason Gamble
Scott Lodge
Brandon Page
Michele Robertson

Clerk of Session:
Kathy Worthington

Deacons

Class of 2016: Rebecca Moore
Rick Sutton
Ann Savage

Class of 2017: Bob Semle
Anne Peterson

Class of 2018: Lydia Berude
Isabelle Rooney
Ellen Smith

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Christian Education:

Pam Brice

Fellowship:

Rebecca McBrearty
Jocelyn Pryor

Finance:

Joe White
Shirley Monnet

Good Shepherd School:

Joey Kuhlmann
Peter Jones

Mission:

Martha Sue Hope

Personnel:

Linda Jenkins

Property:

Bill Rooney
Scott Lodge

Technology:

Jason Gamble

Worship:

Michele Robertson
Roz Taylor