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*To become God's love for the world by worshipping together, caring for one another, and making disciples for Jesus Christ*

## May 2024



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### SUNDAY SERVICES:

8:45 am Worship Service  
 10:00 am Sunday School  
 11:15 am Worship Service

### OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.- Thurs.  
 8am - 4pm

Please give address updates to the church office. If you would like your address removed from the mailing list, please let us know by phone, email, or return mail. Thank you.

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## Pastor's Postings

Dear Church Family,

As we journey further into the beauty of spring and draw closer to the warmth of summer, we find ourselves amidst a season of transition. The changing landscape around us mirrors the shifting seasons within our own lives and our shared Christian journey.



May Day, celebrated on May 1st, has long been a day of celebration and transition, heralding the

arrival of spring and the promise of summer. It is a time when communities come together to rejoice in the beauty of nature's renewal and to honor the hard work and dedication of laborers around the world.

In many cultures, May Day is associated with traditions that symbolize hope, abundance, and new beginnings. I hope you chose to join us for our May Day fellowship potluck and as we reflected on the significance of this day, let us be reminded of the hope and promise that each new season brings to our lives.

Just as the flowers bloom and the days lengthen, we are reminded of the growth and renewal that is constantly at work within each of us. Our faith is a living, breathing entity, evolving, and deepening as we walk the path



laid before us.

Summer, with its promise of leisure and relaxation, also offers us the opportunity to reflect on our spiritual journey. It is a time to pause, to bask in the light of God's love, and to recenter ourselves on the values and teachings of Jesus Christ.

As we prepare for the warmer days ahead, let us carry with us the lessons of our Christian



journey thus far. Let us continue to nurture our faith, to seek understanding and compassion, and to walk in the footsteps of Jesus with love and humility.

May this season of transition be a time of spiritual growth and renewal for each of us, and may we emerge from it stronger and more committed to our Christian journey than ever before.

Blessings to you all,

Peace,

Rev B



**What's going on in the world of Charleston Wesley?**  
 CHECK OUT THE LATEST IN THE CHARLESTON WESLEY FOUNDATION TO SEE HOW GOD IS MOVING IN OUR MINISTRY.

Graduation season is here! We are excited to send our seniors out into the world taking along with them all of the training and experience Wesley offered to them. It is sad to say farewell, but it is such a rewarding experience to watch them cross the stage!

On May 12, we are sending a group on an Advocacy Trip to Washington DC! While in our nation's capital, we will participate in some urban ministry as well as visit the various sites. We will also focus on expanding the students' theology by discussing topics such as "God and Science," "God and Government," and "God and Tragedy."

Lastly, in May, we go through a season of rest, planning, and transition. We are welcoming 3 new interns, a new Citadel Wesley President, and an administrative assistant to our team. But we also bid goodbye to our Graduating Intern, Morgan Smith, our current Citadel President, Drew Forester, and our Assistant Director, Clayton Tovo. We are so thankful for all that they have done for this ministry, and we are excited to see how God uses them!

**NEEDS FOR THIS MONTH:** In May, we spend a lot of time planning and preparing. To that end, we are scheduling visioning, and fundraising \$500 for our Women's Ministry. We are asking some of our partners in the community to help us raise this \$500 in May. With that amount, we can properly plan and budget in order to serve the ladies in our ministry next school year. Every dollar over the \$500 will go to other programming for next year!

**PRAYER FOCUS FOR THIS MONTH:** Please pray for Morgan Smith (CofC), Maggie May (CofC), Asher Huddleston (CSU), David Kaufmann (Citadel), Weston Smith (Citadel), Ethan Goswick (Citadel), Blaine Geiger (Citadel), Hayden Eoff (Citadel), Drew Forester (Citadel), Colton Capps (Citadel), Grace Cooper (Citadel), Gavin Bond (Citadel), Zyhne Alvarado (Citadel), Will McNay (Citadel), and Iann Tiller (Citadel) as they all graduate and navigate this transitional period. Please pray between May 12 and May 18 for the group going to DC. Pray for safe travels, connectational ministry, and eye opening discoveries.

**HOW TO SUPPORT WESLEY:** You can support Wesley in your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. To give financially, you can either make an online donation at <https://charlestonwesley.breezechms.com/give/online> or you can mail a check to 273 Meeting St Charleston, SC 29401.

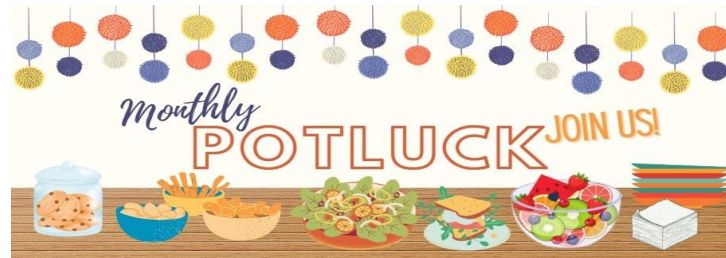


The United Methodist Women awards a scholarship each year. The application period begins April 15 and ends on June 15.

Scholarship applicants should be:

- \*a member of this church
- \*a graduating senior who has been accepted in a program of further study or a person who may be continuing his/her education and has been accepted in a program of further study.
- \*able to cite specific examples of how this scholarship will impact their ability to attain their educational goals.
- \*a participant in church/community/mission service.

Applicants must submit to the UMW Scholarship Committee a completed google form available upon request from the church office. Please email a copy of your high school or college transcript. The applicant awarded the scholarship will be announced to the congregation on Education Sunday. Questions? See Cindy Walden.



1st Wednesday of every month  
**Wed., June 7 @ 6:30pm**  
**Theme: TBD**

*Sign up on the bulletin board to bring your favorite brunch items or appetizers.*

*Don't forget the dessert and drinks.*

Questions?

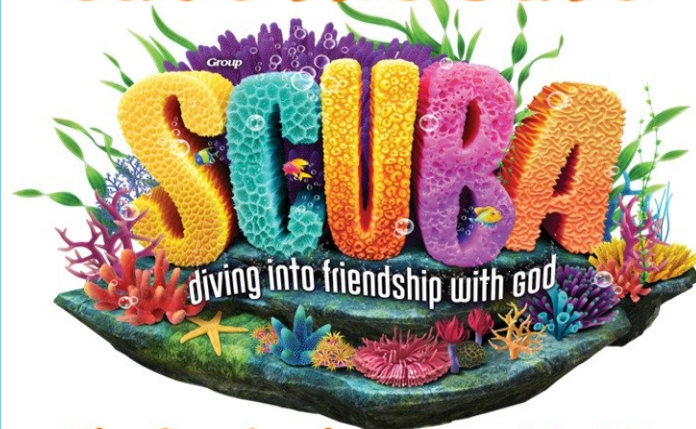
See Celia Satterwhite



UMM meets every 1st Monday of every month at 7pm. Every man in the church is a Methodist Men's member and is invited to participate in all meetings and functions.

**Next Meeting:**  
**Monday, May 5 @ 7pm**

**Save the Date**



**The fun begins June 16-20**

Visit the church website  
([www.ChurchOnThePath.com](http://www.ChurchOnThePath.com)) to register your child or to volunteer.  
Questions? See Kristie Johnson

## Focus on Youth Cindy Curtis

The Youth meet at 10 AM on Sundays for a study called **Who Am I?** This is a youth devotional that follows the challenges of the school year that I wrote published by The Advocate Press. I am working on a Leader's Guide for this study. We are going deep into Jesus's words of "I am the way, the truth and the life" as they reflect on ways to apply his teachings to their everyday lives.

We met at Ashley River Park on April 28 for a Youth and Families picnic and nature trail time to enjoy the park amenities. We will have two events with our church families in May. May 11 will be the Riverdogs game 6:05 PM, and May 18 will be a pool party/lunch at the Cash's home from 10-2 PM. Bring a side and drinks to share. We will provide sub sandwiches. We hope you will join us at both of these events.

Youth will be able to volunteer to help with VBS this June as well. Plans for the fall will be the focus for June as well as some fun events for fellowship.



Trey Carson graduated December 2023 with honors from Columbia College with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with Concentrations: Hospitality, Tourism & Event Management. He completed his Internship with Homegrown Hospitality and is working with them as he completes his Master's degree in Business Administration. He will graduate in December 2024.



Kinsey Selander graduated from The University of South Carolina with a Bachelors Degree in Accounting. She is dual enrolled in the undergraduate and the graduate program for Accounting. She will complete her Master's Degree over the next year and then head to the workforce.



Celia Satterwhite graduated from Trident Technical College with a certificate in writing.



Garrett Green graduated from College of Charleston 2024 with his Bachelor's Degree in Computing in the Arts. He aspires to get a job working in animation or designing video games.



Asia Shrestha graduates from Summerville High School and from Trident Technical College 2024 Early College Program with her Associates Degree. She will attend St. Olaf College in Minnesota to major in English and minor in Studio Art.

**Graduate Recognition - Sunday, May 19 2024**



United Women in Faith

**Genesis Circle**

Monday, May 13 @ 7pm

**Joy Circle**

Tuesday, May 14 @ 10am

For more information contact

Miriam Hunter 556-1651 or Cindy Walden 763-3996

*"There is none holy like the Lord:  
For there is none besides you;  
There is no rock like our God."  
1 Samuel 2:2*



# BACKPACK MANNA

Weekend Meals for Students

Since school started back on January 3rd, we have packed and delivered 894 backpack bags. These bags are supplying some much-needed weekend food for students at Springfield, Drayton, and Oakland Elementary schools.

We thank everyone who donates either food or money for this very important mission.

## ITEM OF THE MONTH: Cereal Bars



*Because hunger doesn't end on Friday!*

## Sing Along Schedule

May 7 Palmetto Assisted Living  
May 21 The Oaks  
May 28 National Healthcare

*All programs start at 10am*

# SUNDAY Worship

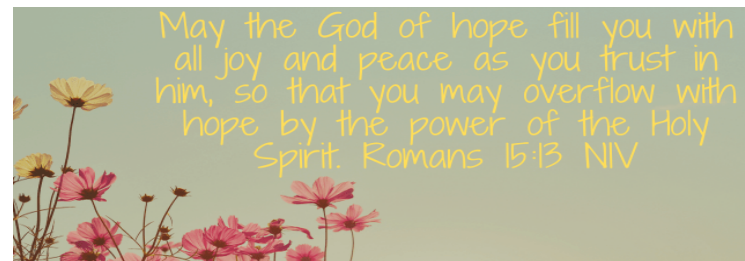
May worship services will include:

**May 5  
Communion Services**  
Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98  
! John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17  
Sermon Title "Endless Love"

**May 12 Services - Mother's Day**  
Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47  
Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53  
Sermon Title: "Ascension"

**May 19 Services**  
Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b  
Romans 8:22-27 John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15  
Sermon Title "Holy Spirit"

**May 26 Services**  
Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29  
Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17  
Sermon Title "Here I Am"



# Celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries

## BIRTHDAYS:

Lisa Follin 5/1  
Ashton Suttle 5/1  
Megan Owen 5/3  
Glen Runnerstrom 5/3  
Joan Gallagher 5/4  
Annette Crawford 5/4  
Ben Yadon 5/5  
Korrine Guenther 5/8  
Fran Wright 5/11

Lily Angle 5/13  
Melanie Rotta 5/14  
Haley Bauer 5/16  
Kevin Diksa 5/19  
Lynn Core 5/21  
Charles Angle 5/22  
Chad Tippey 5/22  
Marcus Sizemore 5/22  
Christine Freeman 5/24  
Virginia Rakes 5/25  
Alexis Suttle 5/25

Carson Diksa 5/25  
Janet Ledford 5/26  
Charlotte Christophersen 5/27  
Mary Lee Brooks 5/28  
Lizzy Wagenbrenner 5/29  
Jennifer Grunstra 5/30  
Bill Guenther 5/30

## ANNIVERSARIES:

13 David & Jan Coisson  
15 Kevin & Barbara Diksa  
18 Randy & Patsy Glas  
20 Charles & Kathryn Angle  
21 Larry & Deborah Carson  
21 Glen & Penny Runnerstrom  
24 Doug & Brenda Holladay  
27 Steve & Debby Taylor



Mary Lee Brooks, at home  
Ann Demaree, Benton House  
Linda DeCoursey

Libby Franklin, Harmony Essex Farms  
Sue Peters, Harmony Wescott  
Jennie Rakes, at home

Robert Waller, Indigo Hall  
Bessie Wilson, Palmetto

Sun	28	8:45am - Worship Service 10am - Sunday School 11:15am - Worship Service	5	8:45am - Worship Service 10am - Sunday School 11:15am - Worship Service	12	8:45am - Worship Service 10am - Sunday School 11:15am - Worship Service	19	8:45am - Worship Service 10am - Sunday School 11:15am - Worship Service	26	8:45am - Worship Service 10am - Sunday School 11:15am - Worship Service		
Tue	30	9am - Men's Study Group 1pm - Pastor's Open Office 6:30pm - Monthly Potluck Dinner 6:30pm - Music Rehearsal	1	9am - Men's Study Group 1pm - Pastor's Open Office 6:30pm - Music Rehearsal	8	9am - Men's Study Group 1pm - Pastor's Open Office 6:30pm - Music Rehearsal	15	9am - Men's Study Group 1pm - Pastor's Open Office 6:30pm - Music Rehearsal	22	9am - Men's Study Group 1pm - Pastor's Open Office 6:30pm - Music Rehearsal	29	9am - Men's Study Group 1pm - Pastor's Open Office 6:30pm - Music Rehearsal
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Thu	2	6:30pm - Music Rehearsal 7pm - Trustees	9	6:30pm - Music Rehearsal 7pm - Trustees	16	6:30pm - Music Rehearsal 7pm - Finance/Church Council 7pm - Village Green HOA Board	23	6:30pm - Music Rehearsal	30	6:30pm - Music Rehearsal		
Fri	3		10		17		24		31			
Sat	4		11	6:05pm - Riverdogs game	18	10am - Margot Kopp memorial 10am - Youth pool party	25		1			