

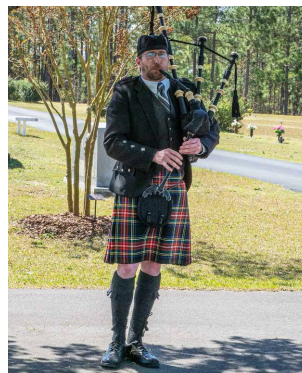
# Trumpet



May 2021

## Easter was Celebrated in Many Special Ways this Year

We could not have asked for nicer weather as we gathered on the lawn of Culdee Presbyterian Church to worship together our Risen Lord.



## Easter Preparation

In preparation for Easter, Julie Pitts, Director of our Children's Ministry created a special activity box containing the story and various symbols of the Holy Week event. These boxes were handed out to our children so they could become familiar with the events that lead to Jesus death and resurrection.





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## Office Hours

**Monday – Thursday**

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**Friday**

Church Office Closed

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# The New Landscape is Showing it's True Colors



## CALL Cookout

Saturday, May 29th at Bethesda Church, we will have a cookout for all the Community and Bethesda CALL families. There will be games, playground events, soccer, and basketball. The families will pick up food from your donations and BPC's donations. School for the regular year will end on June 2nd. End of grade testing will be the third week in May and determine who needs to go to summer school. This has been a challenging year for the schools and most of the students. CALL will wait to see how we can help our students during this summer. We may only do tutoring in August to help with the transition getting ready for a new school year. We will keep you informed and keep CALL in your prayers.

Elizabeth Pope, Dir. of CALL



Our Tutors, along with Betty Pope, Director of the C.A.L.L. (Community Assisting language Learners) were busy stuffing and distributing baskets to the students who participated in our C.A.L.L. program.

# Confirmation Service Projects



As a service project for the church, Ella Jacoby recently spent almost 2 hours going through our 9 campus First Aid kits! She threw out expired items and made detailed lists of things to replace or add. We thank Ella for keeping us safe and prepared in the case of an accident or emergency.



John Hoshall recently made cookies for Meals-On-Wheels. John was joined by his grandmother, Polly Grantham, for this Confirmation service project. We are proud of CPC youth for all the ways they serve our church and community.

**Do you know where our 9 First Aid kits are located? Could you find one quickly if you needed to? Answer can be found somewhere in this newsletter.**

## Care Ministry

Many of our senior members were not left out of receiving Easter baskets. Kathy Hodges, Ministry Associate for Care and Marty Gibbons were busy delivering baskets of homemade cookies, soup and bread to many. Marty's daughter as a pastry chef graciously agreed to provide the beautiful and delicious cookies.



## Just a Reminder

Neither Rod nor any person on staff will ever text or email you directly asking for emergency financial assistance in way of gift cards or money to meet some "urgent" need. These requests are scams. If there ever was an urgent emergency need then an email would go out to the congregation as a whole notifying everyone of the need. If you are ever in question about the legitimacy of an urgent financial request, you are always welcomed to call the office to verify.

## COVID Stimulus Money

Recently, we have had members pass on to the church their COVID stimulus money. The receipt of these monies has been very helpful in funding our many mission and ministry projects. If you are in a position to share your stimulus money with the church, know it will be put to good use doing God's work.



# Youth Fellowship

## Mission Statement:

*To build community around middle and high school age youth in pursuit of a growing personal relationship with Jesus Christ and a deeper involvement in the life of the church. Our theme this year is "Jesus: repeat."*

## Sunday, May 2: Final Confirmation Workshop: 2-5:30 PM in Fannie B Grey Parlor.

For our final time together, Confirmands will be learning about the Presbyterian seal's symbolism, tackling sin and salvation, and learning about the Apostle's Creed and prayer! We are packing a lot into this last session!

## We thank the Confirmands for their spring service projects:

John made lots of cookies for Meals-on-Wheels, Ella updated our 9 church first aid kits, and Knox made inspirational cards for Congregational Care to use in their ministry.

It is a busy month for our families and youth with end of school activities and tests plus two holidays (Memorial Day and Mother's Day – Happy Mother's Day to our Youth Moms! You are the best!). And our Youth Worship Team is working hard gearing up to lead Worship on May 30. With all these additional activities, it seemed best to take a break from our regular Sunday evening Youth Fellowship programming. Mary Ellen will be making at-home visits this month instead to stay connected with youth and enjoy some one-on-one conversation time that we've missed out on during all our Zoom meetings.

**We are excited for a busy and fun summer starting in June with our Summer Intern, Cameron McDonald. Watch for details in eblasts and text remind messages.**

## CPC Youth attending Summer Conference at Massanetta and Montreat this summer!

6 CPC Middle School Youth will be attending the Massanetta Middle School Conference June 22-25. 7 Youth will attend the Montreat High School Conference July 17-24. Both conferences will have online options if we are not able to attend in person, but we are hopeful we will be able to experience these conferences on location and with other church youth groups.

## Thank you to the youth and adults serving on our Youth Council:

Kaylee Akerlund, Kayden Foyles, Lauren Foyles, Garrett Graham, Lee Ann Graham, Josh Markotich, Chris Miller, and Nick Petero. We meet every 1-2 months to plan and oversee the Youth Ministry programs and activities. Our next meeting will be in June.

## Parents and youth can get text updates by using Remind 101.

Text the message @cpcyouthf to the number 81010. If you are having trouble with 81010, try texting @cpcyouthf to 913-871-1137. This is how Mary Ellen sends the most up to date information and any last-minute plan changes.

# Want to Support the Youth Ministry of CPC this Summer?

Gift cards, in any amount, for Chik-Fil-A, Harris Teeter, or Domino's Pizza will help us provide meals and snacks for our youth when they meet in person at the church for Bible Studies and service projects. Thank you in advance for making CPC a place where our teenagers feel welcomed and nurtured! (Gift cards can be dropped off at the church office for Mary Ellen)

# You've Been Egged!!

Our Youth Worship Team, led by Kirsten Foyles, Director of Children and Youth Music, Sonja Brewton and Craig Phifer, is working on their spring worship service and have chosen to work around a theme of connections. They determined they missed many of their pre-pandemic connections with people and that members of the congregation likely felt the same way. The way they chose to connect with the children of CPC is by egging their houses on Palm Sunday! (Not the kind of egging you might think of, but dropping off tons of colored Easter eggs full of candy and special message to the kids.) The primary purpose was to spread joy and remind the children that they are loved and valued members of the CPC Family and of God's Family. Who knows what these ambitious teens will come up with next! Be on the lookout in your mailboxes.



## Nursery and Children's Church Area

It has been a great joy to see so many friends and families return to in person worship. We will continue with our protocols we established in January. This includes distancing between the chairs, remaining masked and using prerecorded songs for worship. The nursery and Children's Church area will remain closed for group gatherings. You are welcome to use these rooms during the service if you need to step out with your children. We ask that you accompany your children and remain with them while they are there. We continue to look forward to the time when we can lift all of our protocols and are working on some exciting new programs for that time. We extend a heartfelt thank you to all of our members who continue to support one another by keeping socially distanced and wearing masks.



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# Associate Pastor Nominating Committee Report

Your Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC) has been busy over the past 90 days. The APNC, representative of the whole congregation and selected by the congregation, has the ultimate responsibility for nominating a minister to the congregation for election as the next associate pastor. The members of the committee are: John Bouldry (Chair), Gayle Magee (Secretary), Helena Wallin-Miller, Dave Gibbons, and Don Goss. We are working closely with Session and our assigned Presbytery Liaison Pastor, and soon with the Coastal Carolina Presbytery. We have completed 3 ½ hours of required training which we found to be most helpful.

So where are we? The first critical document has just been completed and approved on April 19th by Session. The congregation's Ministry Information Form (MIF) provides a narrative picture of the mission and ministry of the congregation and its sense of call. Prospective pastors will use this form to help them discern whether God is calling them to serve at CPC. Key elements of the MIF include CPC's mission statement, leadership competencies sought by our prospect associate pastor, and several descriptive sections elaborating on the specific areas of need for today and the future where the emphasis is: care, mission, and membership. Once the Commission on Ministry approves our MIF, the Commission on Ministry/Coastal Carolina Presbytery will upload our MIF using the "Church Leadership Connection" which is a web-based system that provides global access and visibility supporting this broad call process. We expect to hear back from the Commission on Ministry Tuesday, 4 May. Once the MIF is up-loaded, we'll await responses.

Next week we will place a large poster of the call process at the entrance to the church so you can track our progress towards nominating a new associate pastor.

## Quilters and Sewers

Mary Ellen is looking for quality scrap fabric for a prayer station project. She would love bright colors that can be cut into 12" x 2" strips. Please contact her for pickup or drop off fabric in the church office. Thank you!

**Our 9 first aid kits are located in the kitchen, nursery, youth loft, youth closet for traveling, office, Everette House kitchen, narthex, Silver Screen Room, and our main and largest kit and first aid supplies are in the hallway outside the nursery.**

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