New Fall Festival Co-chairs Heed the Call to Serve!

Our 2017 Fall Festival Chairpersons are Dave and Michelle Deis. Dave and Michelle moved to Hilton Head from Columbus, Ohio, purchasing their first home here in 2011 and moving to Moss Creek Plantation permanently in 2015. Michelle has a J.D. from Ohio State University. She was Head of the Copyright Management Office at Ohio State and had a copyright consulting business before retiring. She has also been an adjunct professor at Capital University Law School and Columbus State Community College. Dave has a Master’s in Chemistry from Wright State University and worked at Abbott Laboratories for 31 years before retiring as the Director of Global Product Development. Since moving to Hilton Head, they have both served on planning committees in Moss Creek, and Michelle has served on the Women’s Association of Hilton Head Island Council. Michelle and Dave are also very proud of their three adult children who are pursuing careers in cities throughout the U.S. Dave and Michelle look forward to working with all the St. Andrew volunteers to make the 2017 Fall Festival on November 4 a great success!

Acts of Two Churches Bible Study

The Bridge Builders group is sponsoring a joint bible study with First Zion Missionary Baptist Church off Wharf Street in Bluffton titled: “Acts of Two Churches.” Our Rev. Daniel Burbage and Rev. Bennie L. Jenkins Jr. of First Zion will lead the studies based on the book of Acts. Members from both campuses are invited, and will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings (May 3 at First Zion; May 10 at Persimmon Street; May 17 at First Zion, and May 24 at Persimmon Street). Reservations are not needed, except for the May 24 session where we will have a meal and communion service at Persimmon Street.

Congregation Approves Change to Capital Funds Plan

At a special Church Conference (duly authorized by the District Superintendent) on April 30, members of St. Andrew By-The-Sea Church overwhelmingly supported the recommendation of Church Council to alter a resolution adopted in October 2015 concerning the church’s capital campaign fund allocation. 95% of the ballots cast were in favor of the change.

The approved change allows Church Council to direct $165,000 toward future capital development needs at the Pope Avenue campus which were previously earmarked for the construction of a storage building adjacent to the Celebration Center. Following Hurricane Matthew last fall, several accommodations needed to be made to our administrative/education building (“B” Building) and we were able to create enough storage space during that re-configuration to eliminate the need for a separate storage building at this time. The changes to “B” Building were done using insurance proceeds from hurricane damages plus some funding from the Trustees budget, leaving the entire $165,000 amount in the capital account available.

Church Council appreciates this demonstration of support and will bring back to the congregation a suggested use for those funds at a future time. In the meantime, Council was also given the approval at the Church Conference to appropriate funds from the $165,000 for such things as architectural or engineering fees as a part of developing concepts at Pope Avenue for the congregation to consider.
Cares & Concerns

**Deepest Sympathy To:**
Sarah Coffin upon death of her father on April 29 in Ohio; to Sue Ross upon the death of her husband and our Christian brother Bruce Ross on April 30; and to Jeff Jones upon the death of his father on April 30 in North Carolina.

**Our ill or convalescing:** Dean Beckelhimer, Mike Joyce, Dan Hepler, Joanne Neely, Shelly Hudson, Joan Priddy, Gloria Paul, Marjorie West, Jacque Johnson, Betty Minot

**Thanks to SABTS**

To all our friends at St. Andrew By-The-Sea, “Thank you!” We are home safely and are finding the weather cooler and wetter than HHI. We could not have done it without you. The trips to take me to the grocery store and advice on physicians helped so much. You can't imagine how much your kindness and your prayers mean to us. Christ has many disciples at St. Andrew. We will keep in touch and look forward to being back in January 2018.

God Bless You All! Jack and Carolyn Strong

We would like to express our appreciation for the many expressions of concern we have received during Dean's illness. The lovely cards, phone calls and visits, the prayers, and the meals have all meant so much to us. Dean continues with his Physical Therapy and we are praying he will walk again. This disease is one which takes time and patience for the healing process, and we have a ways to go. Each offering of love and support from our church family members helps us to persevere. Thank you so much, and we look forward to the day we can return to worship with you.

With love, Dean and Carol Beckelhimer

**Blood Drive**

The last blood drive before the Summer begins is scheduled for May 14th. We have had an excellent turnout in our prior drives this year, and we hope to exceed our prior collections. Sign up at oneblood-donor.org or giddingsm92@gmail.com. Help us to have an excellent turn out before vacation begins.

**Bridge Builders to host**

The Bridge Builders group is sponsoring the showing of the “Corridor of Shame” documentary. This 58-minute documentary takes a revealing look inside the decaying rural schools of South Carolina. The documentary will be shown at Persimmon Street at 5:30 on Wednesday, May 31, 2017. A brief discussion will follow the video viewing.

**Fellowship Friends Meeting**

Fellowship Friends will meet on Tuesday, May 9 at our Bluffton Campus. Meeting at 10:00 with Pastor Daniel Burbage as our speaker.

**Flower Calendar**

The following dates are open on the flower calendar. You may place flowers on the altar in honor or memory of a family member or special person. Call Sarah Dodson (843-681-2369) to reserve a date and indicate the wording you wish to use in the bulletin. Cost is $50.00 per arrangement.

June 11 and 25

**Welcome New Members**

Interested in joining? In addition to full memberships, the UMC has memberships for part-time residents who want to maintain their full membership at their home church.

Contact Jane Silcox at ggsilcox@hargray.com
Or call her at: 843-836-2328.

Welcome to our new SABTS members! At the Family Service at 9:00 on Easter in Bluffton we welcomed Tara Davis and Tanya Colucci as new members. In addition, Matteo Vincent Thomas Davis-Colucci was baptized. Please take a moment when you see our new members and make them feel at home!

**Fisherman Next Deadline**

The Deadline for the next Fisherman is Saturday, May 20th.
Please submit your articles and photos to: standrewbytheseanews@gmail.com
Let's travel back to the day of the SILENT MOVIE when the movie was accompanied by an organist. The Low Country Chapter of the American Guild of Organist's is presenting the silent movie *The General* with Buster Keaton made in 1926.

The movie was inspired by the Great Locomotive Chase, a true story of an event that occurred during the American Civil War.

**When:** May 19  
**Where:** First Presbyterian Church  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Organist:** Chad Martin, the organist of First Presbyterian, playing on the church’s brand new organ console. The event is free and will be an evening to be enjoyed by all.

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**VBS HHI Needs Boxes!**

**Don't Throw Out that Box!** - We need cardboard boxes (all sizes) for our Hero Central VBS. These boxes will be used to make "city buildings" to decorate the Celebration Center and the VBS stage. Please bring any cardboard boxes you have to Lauren Ricciardelli between now and the end of May. Many thanks!

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**What’s Up with HH Kids Ministry?**

The children at the Hilton Head Campus will be studying Creation/Earth Care during Disciple-SHIP (Sunday School) for the month of May. We’ll be making a couple trips outside when weather permits. Lighthouse Kids (9am & 11:15am) will focus on Peter and how he followed Jesus’ instruction to "feed my sheep." As part of these lessons, children will organize a food drive to benefit Deep Well's food pantry. Items needed include: cleaning supplies, flour, sugar, dry cereals, trial size shampoos and toiletries. (Please check expiration dates.) Kids, invite your friends along to join the fun! Parents, keep your eye out for our parent newsletter and new Facebook group!  
@kidminSABTS

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**Family Sunday School (DiscipleShip)**  
**May 21, 2017**  
**10:15-11:00**  
Gathering Room in Lighthouse Loop

Thanks to a grant from The Ruehling family, the Prayer Garden at the rear of the Admin/Education building, in memory of Frank Ruehling’s wife Barbara and their son, has been revitalized since Hurricane Matthew. So that it remains lovely year round, new "turf" was installed and all new, more colorful foliage was planted. Thanks also to Joy McDonald who has assisted with freshening the hanging baskets along with Frank on a regular basis. Please come pray, have some coffee, read your Bible or just sit and enjoy the serenity of this special spot on our campus.
Events in Bluffton

Summer Breaking Bread Groups (NEW!)

Are you looking to connect with other church friends outside of Sunday morning? Sign up for a “Breaking Bread Group.” It is an informal, laid back way to connect over the summer. Here are the details: Sign up with Monica via email or phone (864-838-5227). In May, you will be grouped with two other “families” to make a trio. The three families will come together and plan a dinner each month during the summer. If you are already in a small group, this is a great way to branch out and meet others who are not in your group! If you are on the fence about joining a small group, this is a great way to test the waters!

Children’s End of School Celebration

All children and youth are invited to celebrate the last day of school at our Bluffton Campus for a night of partying like Rock Stars! Check out the details below - Dinner will be served and fun will be had! Please contact Monica Barricks (monicabhhiumc@gmail.com or 864-838-5227) and let me know if your child will be joining us. Our hope is that parents will take this opportunity to enjoy some time alone together.

Who: All Children and Youth
What: End of School Celebration & Dinner
When: Friday, May 26th 6pm – 8pm
Where: Bluffton Campus – 39 Persimmon Street, Suite 204/205

VBS in Bluffton

Come join us for VBS in Bluffton Monday through Thursday, June 19-22 while we explore the Wild Wild West of Bluffton! Each night the children will enjoy dinner together and then break-out into groups. Register today for this fun week! Email Monica at Monicabhhiumc@gmail.com or look for the link on our website: www.hhiumc.com/vbs

Youth Summer Calendar of Events

June

5-9   VBS (Island Campus) 9am-Noon
9   Drive In Movie 5:30pm   $5 (meet at Bluffton)
12-16   Love Local Service Week
16   Pool Party 6-8:30pm
19-22   VBS (Bluffton Campus) 5:30-8pm

JULY

8-15   Salkehatchie Service Camp
19   H.S / M.S. Pool Parties
27   Beach Hang Out 6pm

AUGUST

5   Worship Night (Bluffton Campus)
20   BTS Fall Kick-off 5pm-8pm

Check us out on Facebook or through email to get complete details on all events this summer mattehhiuemc@gmail.com 502-718-7954
Rev. Daniel Burbage
Rev. Jim Morrison

Address Service Requested

Giving At A Glance (January-March 2017)

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Capital Campaign Update

Total Pledged thru 3/31/17  $2,160,596
Total Received thru 3/31/17  $1,433,529  (66.3%)