

# THE FISHERMAN

A publication of St. Andrew By-The-Sea United Methodist Church

*And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."* MATTHEW 4:19

## A Note from the Pastor

Late August is a time of transition. Summer, of course, remains with us several more weeks in the low country, but there is already a perceptible change around us. The signs of seasonal transition can be seen: fewer visitors on the Island, local stores stock their shelves for "Back to School" sales, fall sports practices are in full gear and college students pack up for college. One of my favorites signs of fall are the accumulations of bright yellow sulfur butterflies as they make preparations for an annual migration through the low country.

There are other kinds of transitions in the human experience. Some of these are more painful than others—the loss of a job or a business for instance. The death of a spouse or being diagnosed with some very serious ailment is dramatic change. Others may find life losing the vibrancy it once held, or we feel as if we are being left behind.

There is, however, good news for all who are mindful of or are in the midst of change. The same God who oversees the seasons of the earth also oversees the seasons of our lives. Good and bad, in hardships or times of plenty. The long and short of it is that God knows it all and brings it all full circle in our living. In Jesus, God has entered the great cycle of life and has overcome all that seeks to rob life of its joy and delicious mystery. Transitions belong to God and if you look, you will find God even in, and perhaps most visibly, life's difficult moments.

So, fall will be here soon enough. Keep believing and looking forward to the future of hope that is ours in Christ Jesus, and don't forget that Sunday School begins soon—bring your friends to church to experience what you love and value so much.

I love you all,  
*Neil*



The Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce the arrival of the Rev. Frank Lybrand, recently retired Senior Pastor of Carteret Street United Methodist Church in Beaufort.

As of September 1, Rev. Lybrand has joined our staff on a part-time basis as Associate Pastor, filling a role like that of former Associate Pastor Jim Morrison. He will assist in worship three Sundays each month, will conduct the weekly Wednesday services of Healing and Wholeness at our Hilton Head campus, will provide congregational care as needed, and will offer other support functions to Pastors Neil and Daniel.

Rev. Lybrand has just completed a distinguished pastoral career spanning more than 35 years with the South Carolina Annual Conference. In his spare time he enjoys painting (the type on a canvas, not the type on a ladder outside your home!), golf, reading and spending time with his family.

We are very excited about his joining our staff team! Be sure to wear your nametag in worship on Sundays so he can begin to know you as you welcome him to our church family.



## Sunday School for Everyone Begins September 8, 10:15 - 11:00 am Hilton Head Campus

We all need to find our way and grow in our faith, so let us help you set your course! We've got classes on Sunday mornings for all ages and stages.

**See Class Chart inside for more details.**

***Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ~ Romans 12:2***



## What's Happening in Bluffton... by Rev. Daniel S. Burbage, Bluffton Campus Pastor

Believe it or not, summer is quickly coming to an end and school is actually here. As we enter into the fall, there are a couple things that we at Bluffton Worship are focusing on.

First, I want to remind everyone that as we enter into the new school year and as we all get back to our yearly routines, we all have an amazing foundation. Our foundation is JESUS and with Him we, as His "beloved" church, are connected like LEGOS. We are here for each other and thankful to be a church where we consider worshipping, learning and serving Jesus as a sheer joy!

Another way of reminding folks how we are connected is that Monica Barricks and I will be going to our local school locations and praying for our teachers, staffs and students. We hope to cover all of the schools in our community.

We are also committed to connection through our Sunday morning worship. We are delighted to enter into the fall with

two services (9:00 + 10:30 am) when we have the joy of worshipping our Lord together.

Come check out our new series, "At The Movies," when we will look to scripture and discover 'Where God is in All of This.'

We are also very excited as our small groups start back up and look forward to an upcoming Bible study from the book of Acts with our friends at First Zion Missionary Baptist church. *Details will be coming soon.*



Yes, summer is ending and fall is almost here, but at Saint Andrew By-The-Sea we look very forward to growing together as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ.



Monica

## All Church Picnic August 11 ❖ Oyster Factory Park



## Salkehatchie SUMMER SERVICE

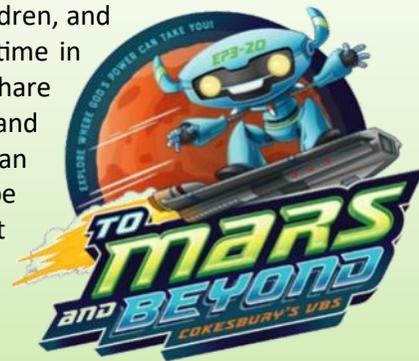


**Youth Group  
Tubing Party  
this Summer**

# Hilton Head Campus VBS Report

contributed by Alice Frawley, Children's Ministries Coordinator

"To Mars and Beyond" was an inspiring VBS experience with great volunteers, children, and families. It was a special time in the afternoon to share with the community and members of our Christian family. It was exciting to be scheduled at a different time, later in the summer, and completely in the Celebration Center. We served dinner each night and even invited families to join us on the last night for pizza.



Monday's Power Launcher was Faith, Tuesday's Power Launcher was Kindness, Wednesday's Power Launcher was Thankfulness, and Thursday's Power Launcher was Hope.

Such an awesome feeling to have the youth helpers to assist, the fabulous kitchen crew, and adult volunteers coming from their jobs even without stopping off at home...all to share God with the children of our church and community. I can't wait till VBS 2020!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**Volunteers are needed for Children's Lighthouse and Sunday School in September and October.**

To find out if this is your spot to serve, contact Alice Frawley at 832-712-6756 or [alicefhiumc@gmail.com](mailto:alicefhiumc@gmail.com)

*Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by His power at work within us!*

Ephesians 3:20

## BOYDS BEARS

### Fall Festival Pre-Sale

Beginning September 8 during the coffee hour at both campuses, Boyds Bears may be purchased for bargain prices. These special bears make adorable gifts for children of all ages. We will be selling many of them at the Fall Festival, but we are also offering them for pre-sale, so shop early and don't miss out on the special theme bears!



**2019  
Fall Festival  
November 9**



## Epworth's Annual Work Day Offering

Sunday, September 8, 2019

Epworth's Annual Work Day offering for Epworth Children's Home is a tradition that dates back decades when Methodists were challenged to "Give a Day's Pay" to the children at Epworth.

While the emphasis has shifted a bit over the years, it is still important that we come together to provide spiritual, educational, emotional and physical support for the children at Epworth.

As you consider what God is calling you to give to support our church's ministry to children, remember Christ's command to let the little children come to him. He embraces them, welcomes them, loves them and teaches them. Epworth is answering this call to let the little children come.

Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them on the web at [www.epworthchildrenshome.org](http://www.epworthchildrenshome.org)

**Labor Day Holiday** Monday  
*Church offices closed* 9.02

**Epworth Children's Home Work Day Special Offering** Sunday  
9.08

**October Fisherman** Monday  
*Deadline* 9.16

**Backpack Buddies** Sunday  
*Special Offering* 9.22

**Blood Drive** Sunday  
*Bluffton* 9.29

**Charge Conference** Monday  
*Hilton Head Campus, 7:00 pm* 9.30

**Consecration Sunday + Lunch**  
Sunday // 10.27

**Fall Festival**  
Saturday // 11.09

## I am With You Always

contributed by Glenn Neff, Parish Visitor

Dear Friends, as I received communion from our Pastor Neil Yongue recently, my thoughts reached out to you, our church family, and especially to those who were not with us that day.

I know some of you would like to be with us on Sundays, especially to partake in the communion service as our Lord requested us to do: “as often as you do this, do this in remembrance of me” (Luke 22:19), but you are just not able to get out. Well, we would like to bring the communion service to you.

If you would like to have communion in your home we are pleased to make that happen. We will do that as close to our Sunday communion service as possible so you may feel a part of the spiritual blessing that the congregation experiences on those special Holy Sundays. If you would like personal communion service please, call the church and ask to be put on the communion list. We will contact you to set up a time.

This summer we have heard of many seniors who have fallen. As we know, any fall can result in serious injury, especially as we get older and lose some balance. I urge everyone to keep this potential in your mind as you move about while at home or out doing chores. Please stay focused on what you are doing and stay within your physical abilities – which can often change before you know it. Always have a plan, what do you do if you fall and you are alone?



Make it easy for people to help you. As the song says “...everybody cries and everybody hurts sometimes.” Let us know when you do need help, and most importantly when you need prayer. Just call the office, leave your name and number and I personally will get back to you.

As Jesus our Friend and Lord said in Matthew 28:20 “...remember, I am with you always.” Take comfort today in this unfailing promise.

## Fellowship Friends

The next meeting will be

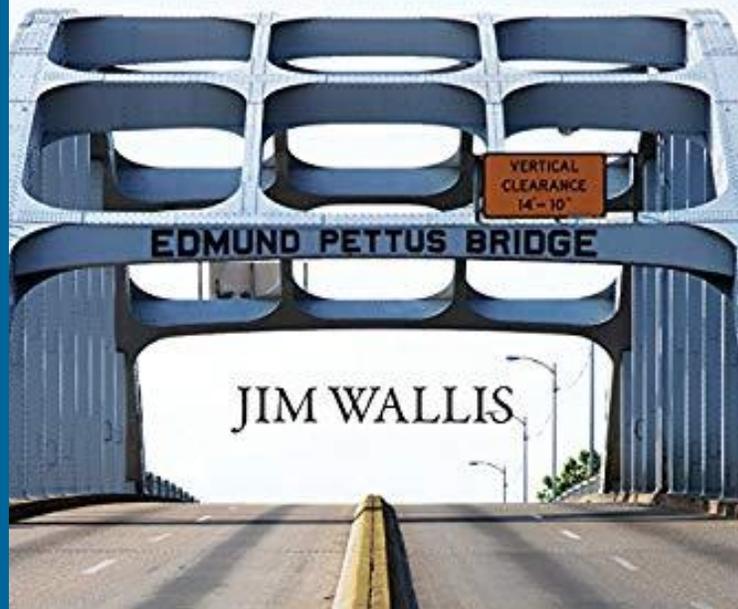
**Tuesday, September 10 at 10 am**

In the Wesley Room of the Celebration Center

**Gary Catarious will be the guest speaker**

*Everyone is invited to attend!*

## AMERICA'S ORIGINAL SIN



*Bridge Builders will host a book discussion on*

*America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege, and the Bridge to a New America* by Jim Wallis

**Saturday, November 23, 10:00 am**  
**St. Andrew Hilton Head Campus**

*This discussion will be facilitated by Calvin Lamar*

Contact Sue Yearwood 843-705-3918 or  
Donna Beavers 843-363-2749 for further details.

### Our Condolences:

- ◆ To the family of Jean Thompson who passed away August 11. A memorial services will be held on September 14 at 2:00 pm at the HH campus.
- ◆ To Connie Boswell-Smith at the passing of her brother, Danny Boswell on August 8.
- ◆ To Ann Scott and family at the passing of Dr. Julius Scott on August 1. A memorial service was held on Saturday, August 17 at 11:00 am at the HH campus.
- ◆ To Bill and Jo Ann Green at the passing of their son, Brian Green of Sparks, OK on July 27. Services were held in Oklahoma on August 17.
- ◆ To the family of Duane Bair who passed away on July 14. Services were private at the family's request. He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Jane Bair, in February 2019.
- ◆ To Nancy Huntington whose father, Joseph P. Holzer, passed away in MD on July 14.



## Welcome, New Members!

We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's Holy Church, and welcome you to this congregation of the United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service.



Maxine Todd and Jada Todd-Grant  
Bluffton Campus  
April 28, 2019



Liz Clavel, Terry Clavel and Madelyn Buzzetto  
Bluffton Campus  
April 28, 2019

# September 15 6:00 - 8:00 pm Driessen Beach Park 64 Bradley Beach Rd



**J**oin us on Sunday, September 15, where the water meets the sand and sky during one of the most beautiful times of the day. Bring along your beach chairs and an appetizer to share. Don't forget that surf pole, kite, bocce set, and sand bucket, if you have them! No need to sign up, just come along for a great evening of fellowship and a time to appreciate God's creation.

Parking meters are available for those folks that do not have beach parking decals.



We are already working on the ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER that this church has sponsored along with Hudson's Seafood House on the Docks for the past 20 years. If you want to experience the true meaning of Thanksgiving, you won't want to miss this event filled with food, fellowship and entertainment.

Last year we served approximately 1,400 people and collected \$9,850 which was shared between The Deep Well Project and Bluffton Self Help.

**HOW CAN YOU HELP?** We are starting to put our volunteers together and there are many opportunities the day of the event and during the planning stages. But spots fill up fast so don't wait too long.

For more information go to [www.communitythanksgiving.com](http://www.communitythanksgiving.com) or call 843-505-1370 and leave a message, someone will call you back.

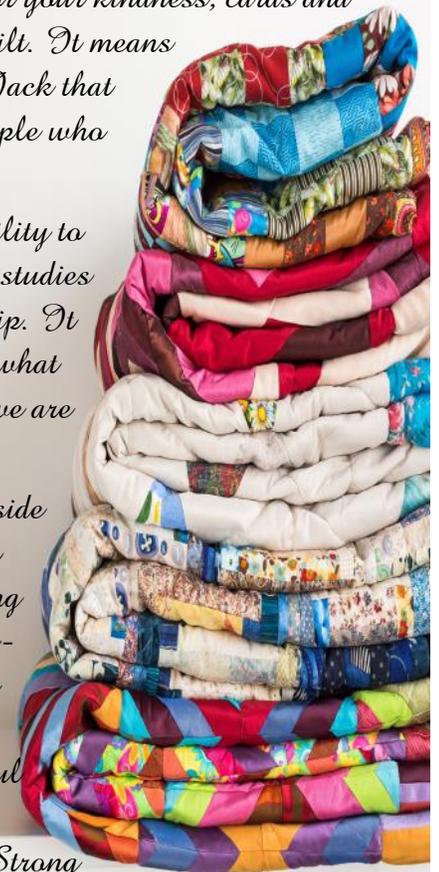
## A Prayer Quilt Thank You...

*Thank you so much for your kindness, cards and the beautiful prayer quilt. It means so much to me and to Jack that we have such great people who care.*

*I miss you and the ability to attend services, Bible studies and just good fellowship. It helps greatly to know what a caring congregation we are fortunate to belong to.*

*While I don't get outside of home too much right now, I am still knitting and should have a shipment of mittens to send soon for Christmas Grace. We are grateful for all of you.*

*Blessings, Carolyn Strong*



# BACKPACK BUDDIES

School is back in session and that means *Backpack Buddies* is back in operation!



As we wrote in the July/August Fisherman article, Backpack Buddies is celebrating a big event this year, as we start our 10<sup>th</sup> year supporting the program on HHI, and our 9<sup>th</sup> year in Bluffton. St. Andrew supports these programs both financially and through a large corps of people who volunteer their time by helping with the planning, packing, and delivery of food to the public schools in our communities.

Backpack Buddies provides nutritious weekend meals to at-risk children in our community. These kids qualify for free or reduced price meals at school during the school week, and the Backpack Buddies food is designed to provide breakfast and lunch over the weekend days.

Since we started BPB in 2010, both programs (HHI and Bluffton) have expanded significantly – *together* we now support over 500 elementary school students *with weekly bags of food*. On Hilton Head we



are also providing nutritional resources to students and families in the Middle and High Schools and in Bluffton 450+ are served through the monthly Box program. This year a record of almost 500 children have come to the Farmer's Market on Calhoun Street to choose fresh produce through the Bluffton BPB's "Summer Nutrition Club."

These expansions have been made possible by generous financial support from a wide range of churches, individuals and organizations. Equally important are our current volunteers, now numbering roughly 300 people, who keep the program operating.



We will be taking up a special Backpack Buddies offering at both SABTS campuses on September 22 to help fund this important local mission program for the 2019-20 school year.

The food cost to support a BPB student for the year is \$200. We gladly accept donations of any size, but as a way to celebrate our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we are encouraging donors to "adopt" a BPB student for the year by making a \$200 donation.

To learn more about our Backpack Buddies programs, contact Joe Kerr at 843-422-2179 or jandskerr@gmail.com (HH program), or Ken and Sue Kroupa at suekroupa@hargray.com or call 843-645-6303 (BLF program).

## GIVING AT A GLANCE (January - July 2019)

|                       | Pledge Contributions        | Non-Pledge and Loose Plate Contributions | Total                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Actual thru 7/31/2019 | \$578,095                   | \$160,648                                | \$738,743                   |
| Budget thru 7/31/2019 | \$593,800                   | \$169,900                                | \$763,700                   |
| Variance              | (\$15,705)<br>=Below Budget | (\$9,252)<br>=Below Budget               | (\$24,957)<br>=Below Budget |

## Income and Expenses (January - May 2019 )

|                       | For The Year Actual | For The Year Budget | Variance                        |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Income                | \$760,892           | \$746,634           | \$14,258                        |
| Expenses              | \$824,638           | \$858,550           | (\$33,912)                      |
| Net Surplus/(Deficit) | (\$63,746)          | (\$111,916)         | \$48,170<br>=Better Than Budget |

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!*

## Notes from Tim

contributed by Tin Reynolds, Director of Music

**Why Do We Have a Church Choir?** I thought I'd let some other folks answer that for you.

From the ChoralNet, an online symposium for choir directors: *The four functions of a church choir are to lead and enliven the congregation's song, to sing music that the congregation cannot, to serve as a "small group" within the church for faith formation, and to sing beautiful and challenging music to glorify God and to edify the congregation.*



### Why Get a Church Choir?

by Rev. Chuck Lawless, Dean and Vice-President of Graduate Studies and Ministry Centers at Southeastern Seminary in Wake Forest, NC.

*I am not arguing here that every church should have a choir (I, in fact, attend a young church that does not have one), but I do think a choir is worth considering. Here's why:*

*It provides opportunities for many members to serve. Think practically for a minute: A Bible study program requires one to two facilitators per group, but a choir requires many people to serve. Open choir seats are opportunities to serve.*

*It helps produce good congregational singing. A praise team can achieve this goal, too, but it's easier to worship through song when dozens of people are leading the way.*

*A good choir sings and illustrates joy. It's not just the singing that makes a difference. It's also the smiling faces. It's the singer who closes their eyes and takes us to God through his own personal worship. It's the large group praising God together.*

*It can highlight diversity in a church. The congregation can often see diversity (e.g., age, gender, ethnicity) in front of them. That diversity among the singers is a picture of heaven (Rev 7:9-10).*

*It helps promote teamwork. That, of course, is the nature of a choir. Everybody has a part, and it's the parts combined that create the overall sound. It seldom hurts for believers to learn to work together in any capacity.*

*It offers multi-generational fellowship. I've been to churches where the choir is the only opportunity for several generations to serve together. There's something God-honoring about an older saint and a teen believer singing next to one another.*

*A choir can be an entry-level service opportunity for members and attenders. Any follower of Christ can sing God's praises, including a baby believer who isn't ready yet to serve in other capacities (and, to be frank, a choir*

*helps even the worst voice somehow blend into the praise).*

*It helps avoid the "single star" approach to worship leadership. That's just naturally the case: Get enough people in the picture, and no single leader becomes the star.*

**St. Andrew By-The-Sea Chancel Choir resumes Wednesday rehearsals September 4 at 7:00 pm the music room.** I hope you'll consider joining us as we make a joyful noise unto the Lord! See you in church!



The deadline for the **OCTOBER EDITION** of The Fisherman is

**Monday, September 16**

Please submit your articles and photos to:  
standrewbytheseanews@gmail.com



**BLOOD DRIVE**  
Sunday, Sept. 29  
8:30 am - 1:30 pm  
**BLUFFTON Campus**

To sign up or for more information visit [oneblooddonor.org](http://oneblooddonor.org) and use sponsor code **#33952**



Look for the big red bus on campus that day

**YOUTH GROUP**

**Meets Tuesdays**

Open to students from both campuses grades 6 - 12

Come check us out Tuesdays at 6:15 pm in the Youth Loft at the Hilton Head Campus

For more information contact Youth Directors **Bob and Amy Rosene** at [SABTSyouth@gmail.com](mailto:SABTSyouth@gmail.com)



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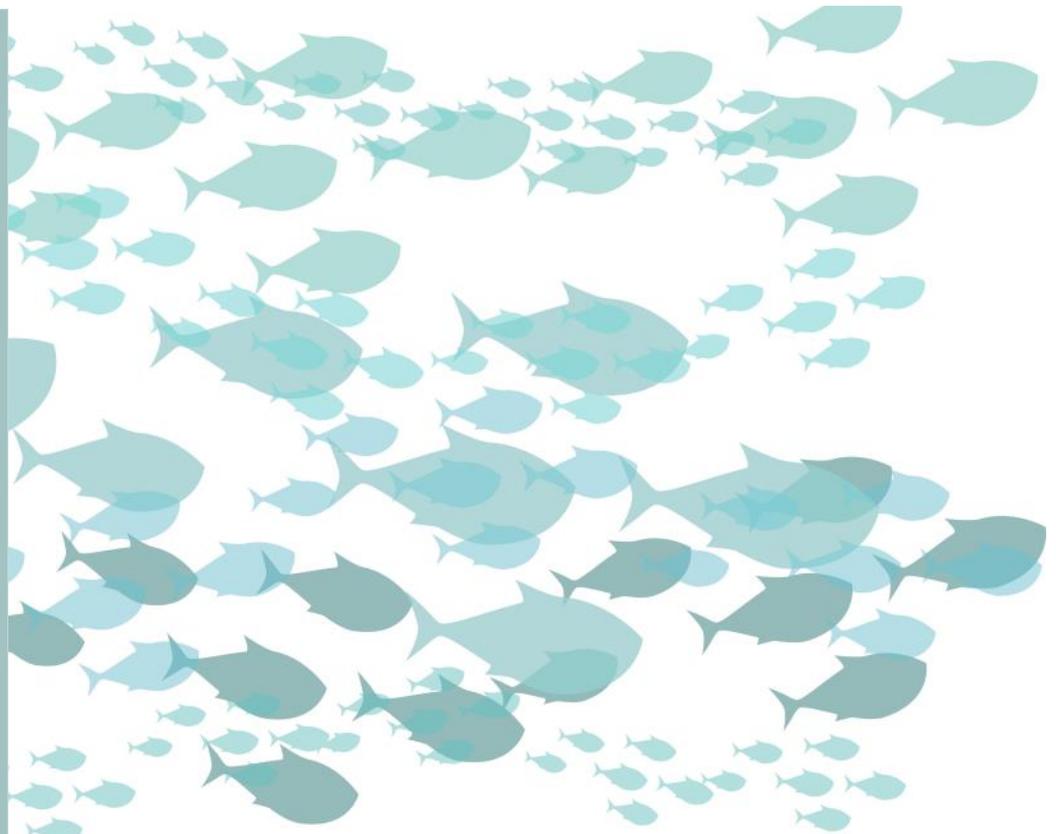
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