Travelers Rest United Methodist Church

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Travelers Rest, SC 29690

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### The Pew and Pulpit

Travelers Rest United Methodist Church Travelers Rest, South Carolina "The Church on the Trail, walking with Christ, serving God, and changing lives"

### TRUMC family,



THANK YOU for the past 10 years together. You've been hearing my words of farewell during my final sermon series with you, so I leave you with someone else's words as we now walk different trails, but on the same journey trailing Christ.

June 2023

"How else can we leave those we care about unless we entrust them to the love of God? That is after all what the word goodbye means. *God be with you*. This single word is a prayer and sharing it is an act of love.

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Goodbye, TRUMC. God be with you.

Grace and peace,

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	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Participation</u>	
Date	On-Line	In-Person	Sunday School
5-07	117	202	81
5-14	103	200	88
5-21	212	174	—
5-28	TBD	184	—

Building Project Fund as of April \$1,330,449

E-giving available at trmethodist.net (click on the E-giving icon)



**Text-to-Give**: text the amount you wish to give to (833) 948-2135, wait for response to guide you through the process.

Just a Reminder: When you contribute to the church for a specific cause, make sure you donate to the cause and not a specific person. If a person is listed, the contribution will NOT be on your yearend statement. (The IRS does not recognize personal names) From: Jan Paxton, Finance Manager

#### TRUSTEE for May

Edie Sampson

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## Prayer Concerns

### Honorariums and Memorials

#### In Memory of Ron Parker

Billy and Jeanette McAllister Jay and Marilyn Tothacer

#### In Memory of Edgar Pruitt's Sister

Clifford and Janet Joens





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George Adamson Bobbie Floyd Martha Foster Mary Greene Dee Hughes Frances Lockaby Pam Miller Patrick O'Dell Reggy O'Dell James White

FRIENDS Chuckie Mituzas Greenville School Students Roger Tompkins Simon and Emma Webster Peace in Somalia

TRUMC

Fred Dval

Myra Robitalle

**Richard Goodall** 

Sandy Bailey

Pray for Peace in Ukraine and for all affected by the war.



Names are routinely taken off after a month. If you would like a name left on longer, please contact the office.

Submit a prayer request to our Prayer Team:

#### <u>prayer@trmethodist.net</u>

(Please indicate if you would like it to be on the church-wide list or just for the Prayer Team.)

HOMEBOUND

## Youth and UMYF

Grades 6-12

During the summer youth ministry looks a little different.

During the month of June, many of our youth are participating in **Salkehatchie and TRHatchie**.



**Salkehatchie Summer Service** is a statewide ministry where youth and adults work on homes in need of repair around the state. TRUMC folks usually attend Lancaster Camp which is June 11-16. This year we have 3 youth (Mitchell Bobbitt, Baine Forrester, and Banks McDaniel) and 4 adults (Bryan Catron, Mike Kellett, and my-

Salkehatchie self) attending.

**TRHatchie** is like Salkehatchie except it will be a day camp nearby instead of overnight and out of town. The dates for TR-Hatchie are Monday, June 19-Wednesday, June 21.



If anyone would like to donate money towards TRHatchie, bring lunch to our work site, or be an adult runner for supplies, then please contact me.

Youth can sign up to volunteer to be youth helpers with the children at **Vacation Bible School**. VBS will be Monday, June 26-Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 PM. The theme is *Hero Hotline*. Let me know if you would like to be a role model and leader to our children at TRUMC by being a youth helper at VBS.

If you have any questions about any of these activities and ministries, then please call, text, or email me!

Grace and Peace, Pastor Christine <u>christine@trmethodist.net</u> 864-915-4737



## Discipleship

Connecting with God

Connecting with Others

Serving All



### Growth Groups

We do not have Growth Groups over the summer, but will start them back up in the fall. The only exception to that is our Zoom Growth Group (Solomon's Porch) will continue to meet over the summer on Fridays at 9:30 AM. Contact Luanne Beller at <u>Luannesteve@yahoo.com</u> for the link for this group.

#### Sunday School Classes

During the summer, most of our Sunday School classes do not meet as we have one worship service at 10 AM instead. Sunday School will resume on August 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Coffee with Jesus Sunday School Class (led by Dave and Jenni McAda) will meet in the Parlor of the Family Life Center from May 21 through June 11 at 9am before the single worship service. This class is for men, women, singles, and couples. Class discussion covers each Sunday's scripture lesson and applying it to daily life.

#### **Other Small Groups**

**The Mission Circle** is a group of United Methodist Women who work on local mission projects, such as the Preemie Project, which makes hearts and hats for babies in the Neonatal Care Unit at local hospitals. They will meet Wednesday, June 7, from 9:30 AM- 11:30 AM in the parlor of the Family Life Center. Contact: Edie Sampson (864) 346-4244 or <u>ebsampson@charter.net</u>.

**Mind Health Support Team** encourages confidential, trusted sharing, using scripture and prayer, to promote healthy community and resilience during our journey together through mental health recovery. The next meeting will be on September 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 in the picnic shelter. This group does not meet over the summer. Contact Mickey Hess: (484) 459-1455 or Imhess712@gmail.com

## Discipleship

#### Other Small Groups—Continued

**Prayer Team** meets on June 21<sup>st</sup> (the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month) at 11 AM in the parlor to pray for the needs of our church, community, and world. To submit a prayer request or find out more information about the Prayer team, contact Donna Koegler or Pat Hansen through <u>prayer@trmethodist.net</u>.

**Share and Care Chronic Pain Group** offers help to those with chronic illness and/or pain in a safe, confidential, faith- based environment. This group meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month, June 20<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM in the fall. Contact Karen McCarty: (864) 593-3507 or <u>karengsc@att.net</u>

**Stephen Ministry** provides a caring, non-judgmental and confidential one-to-one relationship between a trained church member and a person experiencing a difficult time or transition in his or her life. The Stephen Ministers meet on Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30-5:30 PM, in FH 11 and ED 105 in the lower level of the Education Building. For more information, contact Patti Crenshaw at (864) 380-8421 or <u>patticrenshaw1@gmail.com</u>.

**TR Fellows** meets monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, but will not be meeting again until September.

**Woodlands Bible Study**, aka 'Miriam's Rascals', meets each Tuesday, 10:00 AM, at the Woodlands at Furman in Brian and Mary's apartment #1208. Contact Linda Anderson: (864) 230-4197 or <u>lcanders3131@me.com</u>



#### Stephen Ministry: The After People

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the *After People*.

#### Stephen Ministers are there:

... after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.

...after the divorce papers are served and the bottom falls out of your life.

...after the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.

Serving God

- ...after the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."
- ...after the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."
- ... after the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away and the house suddenly seems empty.
- ...after the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.
- ...after the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.
- *...after* you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.
- ... after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.
- Stephen Ministers are the "After People." They are ready to come alongside you or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives and provide comfort and support for as long *after* as needed.
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Need more information? Contact

Patti Cren-

shaw (864) 380-8421 or Dave McAda (864) 380-5867



## Trumpets

## Who is That?

#### Name Badges

During June, TRUMC will be having the last Sunday with Pastor Jonathan. Help young singers to bid a fond farewell to him and his family as they prepare to begin new adventures in Hilton Head Island. Although farewells are bittersweet, they in turn are filled with God's eternal and unchanging Love. Young singers can use their voices to bid farewell to Pastor Jonathan and his family, learning that "Goodbye" is a "God be with you!" May we all at TRUMC, young and old, share our "God be with you" at TRUMC in the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Contact Kathleen McCombe for further information: <u>trumctrumpets@gmail.com</u>, 585.413.8920 and visit us at <u>https://trumctrumpets.com</u>.

Would you like to know more people's names on Sunday morning? Help everyone learn your name by wearing a name badge! Anyone who would like to wear a name badge may order one at <u>www.namebadge.com</u>. Each person will be responsible for creating, paying for, and keeping up with his or her own badge. You are invited to bring your badge with you and wear it to all church events and activities. Of course, if you are not comfortable wearing a name badge or tag, then you do not have to do so.

If you would like a badge that looks similar to Pastor Jonathan and Pastor Christine's badges, then here are some tips in creating your badge.

#### Go to www.namebadge.com

Go to the Design tab and click nametags.

You start on the size and shape tab. Choose the 1.5" x 3" Oval badge

Type your name in the text box.

Use Arial font and black color.

Go to <u>https://www.resourceumc.org/en/agencies/communications/brand-standards</u> to download the official cross and flame logo. Click download files. Choose the color option. Download crossflame CLR.jpg and save it to your computer or phone.

Click on the Upload Logo orange tab on namebadge.com to upload the logo to your badge.

Adjust size of logo and text as desired. Center the text and logo vertically by moving the logo and text boxes. Center the text and logo horizontally by clicking on it and then clicking on Center image or Center text to your right.

Move to the background tab and choose a white plastic background under the material tab. You do not have to choose a color if you are choosing white.

Under the border tab, choose a gold border.

Under the fastener tab, choose a magnetic fastener. Do not choose a magnetic fastener if you have a pacemaker.

Under the dome tab, choose add doming. (Doming is a clear protective covering on the badge.)

If you would rather use a different website or create a badge that does not look similar to Pastor Jonathan and Pastor Christine's badges, then that is completely up to you! You are not obligated to use this website or this design. Please note that the price changes based on the different options that you choose. The pastors' badges cost \$16.95 each not

price. If you try to create a name badge and need help, then please ask a fellow church member that already has a name badge for help!

Disposable paper nametags will be located in the narthex for visitors and those who choose not to order a name badge. Again, if you are not comfortable wearing a name badge or tag, then you do not have to do so.

## Discipleship



The Prayer Team welcomes everyone

to their monthly meeting for a devotional, time of praying together and the encouragement of being together.

Wednesday, June 21 11 am in the Parlor.

Pat Hansen will guide our time together. Call her for more info: 864-517-7291

### Vacation Bible School

### Hero Hotline!

Vacation Bible School this year is on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 PM. Vacation Bible School is for children ages 4 years old to just completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Light meals will be included.

Click on the link below to register your child for VBS or to sign up to help be an adult volunteer

https://trumc.mycokesburyvbs.com/

If you have any questions, then please contact Ashley Gutschow (<u>ashley.gutschow@gmail.com</u> 864-764-2051) our VBS director.

There will be a meeting and decorating for Vacation Bible School Volunteers on Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 PM in the sanctuary.



# Serving Others and Gatherings

### **Mission Circle**

Please save Wednesday, June 7 (9:30-11:30) and meet in the Parlor. There are ALWAYS jobs for sewers and non-sewers!

We will be working on Summer items, Fourth of July, and packaging for deliveries.



Also, it's time to begin thinking of Halloween!

Please join us!! With love, Edie and Susan





## Gathering Together

### FOREVER 55 (Senior Adult Group)

Once you reach this milestone, you are a permanent member of this group!

Our next lunch will be held on:

June 15<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM in the Parlor Menu : **Rio Grande Pork Loin** 

Last

lunch

until

September



Salad / Dressing Green Beans Strawberry Cake

Cost: \$10 per person

**Program:** 

From Roads to Battlefields Presented by: Wayne Roberts, Chief Archeologist (retired) for SCDOT

Sign-up Sheets are located on the credenza in the Narthex until June 11th.

If attending is a financial hardship, Forever 55 can cover your expenses so that no one is excluded.

Contact Information for reservations: *Please note change in contact* Jenni McAda jenni.davemcada@yahoo.com 864-436-6080



### Birthdays

- 1 Kristin Chadwell Jack Melogy Mia Price
- 2 Barbara Allen **Christian Bryant** Patti Crenshaw
- 4 Naomi Downing
- 5 Mary Greene
- John Martin Jasmine Wood
- 6 Tom Johnson Jon Madison Springer
  - Marloe Toney
  - 9 Conner Halbrook
- 11 Andrew Reese **Dennis Fulbright**
- 12 Rhonda Gilliam Wayne Vetter
- 13 Addison Koziol
- 15 Donna Lynn Fewell **Emily Guth**
- 16 Russell Bryant
- 17 Raymond Duncan

#### 18 Noah Gilbert

19 Preston Golightly **Rhys Jones** 20 Don Hazle

- Mary Lynn Greene Jeff Peek
- 22 Kimilee Bryant Ryan Jones
- 24 Paula Frady Liam Buchanan
- 25 Chas Crenshaw
- 26 Judy Weatherly
- 27 Lauren Springer Kyle Wilson
- 28 Jean Hughes
  - Ellie Strange
  - 29 Karen Courtwright Cole Hawkins
  - 30 Daniel Burgess Eddie Strange

- 6 Gail and Lou Riddick
- 7 Brenda and Jerry Leach
- 13 Sandy and Bruce Bailey
- 14 Ann and Ed Koziol
- 15 Karen and Bill Courtwright
- 17 Meghan and Eric Guth
- 22 Nancy Capps and Al Konopka Marty and Bruce White
- 25 Donna and Richard Aiken Jasmine and Paul Wood
- 30 Luanne and Steve Beller
- 29 Noelle and James Price



### June Sermons and Scriptures

Sun	Mon	Tue		Wed	Thu		Fri	Sat		
					<b>1</b> 6:30P AA— <b>Parlo</b>	r	2 9:30A Solomon's Porch II GG <b>—Zoom</b>	<b>3</b> 9A Set up for churchwide dinner	<ul> <li>6/4</li> <li>Scripture: Mark 1:14-15 (CEB)</li> <li>Series: The Church on the Trail</li> <li>Sermon: 'Changing Lives'/Cardboard Testimonies</li> </ul>	
<b>4</b> 9A Coffee with Jesus— <b>Parlor</b> 10A Worship 11:15 Farewell Dinner for the Tompkins— <b>Gym</b>	5 6:30P AA—Parlor 6:30P Scouts—FH 2	6 9:30A TOPS 10A Miriam Woodlands	's Rascals	7 9:30A Mission Circle— Parlor	8 10A Swamp Rabb Guild — <b>Gym</b> 6:30P AA— <b>Parlo</b>		<b>9</b> 9:30A Solomon's Porch II GG <b>—Zoom</b>	10	<ul> <li>6/11</li> <li>Scripture: Matthew 16:18 (MSG); James 1:17; Phili pians 1:3-6,9,11 (CEB)</li> <li>Series: <i>The Church on the Trail</i></li> <li>Sermon: 'All Good Things'/Communion</li> <li>6/18</li> <li>Scripture: 1 Peter 2:4-10 (NRSV)</li> <li>Sermon: 'We're All Ministers Here' Tony Snyder</li> </ul>	
11 9A Coffee with Jesus— Parlor 10A Worship 2:30P Stephen Ministers— FH11 and ED105 Salkehatchie Week	12 6:30P AA—Parlor 6:30P Scouts—FH 2	13 9:30A TOPS 0 10A Miriam' Woodlands	's Rascals	14	15 12P Forever 55 Lu Program — Parlo 6:30P AA—Parlo	r	<b>16</b> 9:30A Solomon's Porch II GG <b>—Zoom</b>	17		
18 10A Worship Happy Father's Day!	19 6:30P AA—Parlor 6:30P Scouts—FH 20 TR-Hatchie		5— <b>FH 10</b> and Care n Group— <b>Parlor</b> 's Rascals A <b>pt. 1208</b>	21 11A Prayer Team— Parlor TR-Hatchie <i>Newsletter Articles Due</i>	22 10A Swamp Rabbit Quilt Guild Sew Day—Parlor 6:30P AA—Parlor		<b>23</b> 9:30A Solomon's Porch II GG <b>—Zoom</b>	24	<b>6/25</b> <i>Hero Hotline</i> Vacation Bible School Sunday Rev. Christine Matthews	
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	Sanctuary Open 9AM-1PM MonThurs.	Bell Tower is between the Sanctuary and Education Building Coffee Nook (CN) is located on the 2nd floor of the Education Building	Conference Room i on the 2nd floor of the Education Building Education Building (ED) Family Life Center	(FH10/11) is in the basement of the Education Building GG = Growth Group	Miriam's Rascals is at the Woodlands, Room 1208 (Furman Univ.) Parlor and <u>Gym</u> are in the Family Life Center	Family Lif	behind the e Center i <b>ty Tap</b> (CT) Main St.,	·	-	