

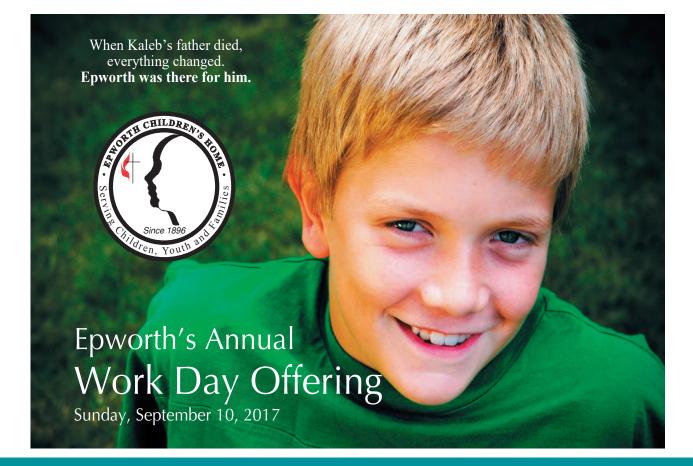
1401 Washington Street - Columbia, SC - 29201

Monday - Friday 🔹 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Soup Cellar 🗧 Monday - Friday 🔳 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Epworth's Annual Work Day Offering

Today our church will receive the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering to invest in the comprehensive care we are called by God to provide for the children at Epworth Children's Home, our church's ministry to God's children. Please find information about Epworth and the Work Day Offering on the bulletin insert. Epworth does not receive denominational funding (apportionments). This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can choose to make a secure credit card donation.



Announcements

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<u>ANNUAL KILLINGSWORTH GALA</u>: The 25th Annual Killingsworth Gala is coming up Thursday, November 9, and tickets are now on sale! Killingsworth Home is a United Methodist supported residence for women emerging from crisis situations, and the Annual Gala at Seawell's is Killingsworth's biggest fundraiser of the year. The event includes a dinner, silent auction, and fashion show featuring local U.M. ministers, church members, and even former residents. Last year Washington Street had three full tables of attendees. Men attend and model as well! See the flyer in the hallway near the church office. If you are interested in attending, call Laurely Nance at 772-3188 or Carol Krebs at 782-1092 as soon as possible. We must send in reservations together to sit together, and the sooner the reservations are sent in, the better the table location. Tickets are \$50 each. For more about Killingsworth, see www.killingsworth.org.

COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES: Parents and grandparents of Washington Street College students: Please send snail mail addresses for your student(s). The 2's and 3's Sunday School Class will soon be working on surprises for all WS college students. We need your help to get the surprises delivered on time! Please send the mailing addresses to Mary Lide, neaudl@aol.com, or call the church office, 256-2417.

RAGGIO REPORT VIEWING POSTPONED: The viewing of the Raggio Report has been postponed to a later date. It will not be shown in the Wesley Room this Sunday, September 10th. We apologize for the inconvenience, but we will let you know as soon as another date is determined.

Announcements for the next issue of *The Connection* are due by 12:00 Noon on MONDAY, September 18th. Please send all announcements to Lainey Wood, LAINEY@WSMETHODIST.ORG.



Christmas is just about FOUR months away! Please help us fill the gift bags for the Soup Cellar clientele. We are looking for items such as travel size shampoos, soap, and lotion. Toothbrushes and toothpaste are also needed. Your donations can be placed in the Christmas Box in the hallway.

Monetary donations are graciously accepted!

Thank you for your continued support!

Gifts

IN MEMORY OF LOIS BAKER

to Missions by Chip Williams *to WSUMC* by Sam Waldrep *to WSUMC*

by Flora Kennedy

IN MEMORY OF BILL ELLINGTON

to The Soup Cellar by Happy Henry *to WSUMC*

by George and Wendy Hoover

In Memory of Dr. Skottowe Bellinger Fishburne, Jr.

to WSUMC by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Anthony Davis <u>IN HONOR OF ANALEE BURCH</u> *to WSUMC* by Sam and Helen Burch <u>IN HONOR OF KATHY ROGERS</u> *to WSUMC*

by Ann R. Brooks



25 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH

During the summer of 1992, a missions team from our church (working with Habitat for Humanity), helped repair a house at 1912 Washington Street. The dedication ceremony was held on Sept. 20. Among those who participated in this project were: Tommy Betenbaugh, Mary Lide, Ron Quinn, Julian Ruffin, Nan Self, Eleanore Vaughan, and Alan-Jon Zupan.

75 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH

The following entry appeared in the Sept. 27, 1942 church bulletin: "Sergeant T.H. Brown, a regular attendant in our Young Adult Department and Soldier Center, presented the department with a lovely American Flag last Sunday in appreciation of the many kindnesses extended to him while here. Sergeant Brown remarked that when World War II was over, 'I am coming back to Columbia and Washington Street Church. You can be looking for me 'cause here's one Irishman the Axis won't get."

Getting to Know...

Very often you hear the names of our growing staff and dedicated volunteers, but there's always an opportunity to get to know them better! With future issues of The Connection, we encourage you to keep reading and learn more about those who give so much time and energy to the mission of Washington Street.

ANGELA POWERS

If one word describes Angela Powers, it is "music."

Angela became director of music at Washington Street in January 2011 when Arletta Raley retired. Angela, who holds a master's in music education, also teaches music at Forest Lake Elementary School.

Angela first fell in love with music when she was 5 at First Baptist Church in Greenwood, where she had an "awesome" primary choir director. She started voice lessons when she was 15 and came to the University of South Carolina as a voice performance major. She played percussion in her high school and college bands and was drum major in both.

Angela met her husband, Davis, in the USC Concert Choir. She was a soprano; he sang tenor. She said she noticed him right away and told a friend sitting next to him that she wanted to meet him.

"We were friends for a while before we dated," she said. They married in 1983.

Angela said that she and Davis have always sung in church choirs. At Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Columbia, she directed the children's choirs and an adult choir.

"Everything that I've done, all the experiences I've had added up to being here at the right time," Angela said. "It was the perfect place and the perfect time."

At Washington Street, Angela started the Music Mania Day Camp for children, ages 4 to 12, last year. This year the children sang, danced and performed for their friends and family in the play "100% Chance of Rain." Angela said she believes she has continued the tradition of fine music to enhance our worship services.

"The Requiems on Good Friday have been a high point for me," she said, adding that she also loves it when the Sanctuary Choir performs with orchestral accompaniment at Christmas and Easter.

In the past, Angela sang with the Columbia Lyric Opera and performed at Workshop and Town Theaters. Her last role was a beggar woman in "Sweeney Todd."

At Forest Lake, she has directed 12 Broadway Junior musicals; the 13th "Annie Junior" next February will be her last before she retires from her 32-year teaching career in May. The musicals, which last about an hour, have been coupled with a silent auction as a major fundraiser for the school.

In 2000, Angela was named Richland District Two Teacher of the Year. Angela's biggest interest outside of music is family. She and Davis have a son, Layton, who is a high school history teacher in Charleston. He and his wife, Gracie, have a 10-month-old daughter, Ellyana. Angela has three sisters, and they spend time as a family at the beach and at Lake Greenwood. They also attend USC football games and tailgate together. Mom, Dad, all four daughters and all four sons-in-law are USC grads.

A Huge Thank You!

On Sunday, August 27th, we acknowledged Promotion Sunday for our children and youth as they began a new year of Christian Education. As our church works to grow and nurture disciples in our young ones, we want to thank all of those who have a hand in the journey. The environment created where our families feel loved and nurtured is due to the endless amount of time and talents given by our Sunday school teachers and Education Committee, as well as the many adult volunteers and mentors who have taken heart in shepherding our students. With your contributions, we are able to celebrate milestones such as 3rd graders receiving their Bibles, 6th graders studying through Confirmation and professing their faith, youth going out into our community in service, and so many more.



The staff and leadership of Washington St. would like to take an opportunity to express their appreciation for all of those involved in these ministries and the lives of our children and youth. This wouldn't be possible without you!

Mission Opportunities

Harvey Flood Relief "Bucket List"

In response to Hurricane Harvey and it's wake of devastation, there are several ways we can all help!

WSUMC has set up an online giving fund called "Harvey Flood Relief" where you can give a gift that goes straight to UMCOR to partner with their ongoing relief efforts.

You can give online by going to our website. www.wsmethodist.org/giving/ You can also give through text message by sending the word "Engage" to the number 732-56.

In addition to monetary gifts, our Missions Committee is working with UMCOR and their Flood Bucket initiative. Relief-supply kits answer a need for disaster survivors while, at the same time, offering an important connection for the giver. You can create a Flood Bucket by gathering the supplies listed to the right.

** Please note the specific measurements of each item listed. It is important to follow these directions so UMCOR can ensure each bucket contains enough of the necessary materials.

Cleaning Kit Materials

- 5-gallon bucket with resealable lid (Buckets from fast-food restaurants or bakeries can be used if washed and cleaned. Do not use buckets that have stored chemicals such as paint or pool cleaner. Advertisements on the outside are acceptable.)

- Liquid laundry detergent

(One 50-oz. or two 25-oz. bottle(s) only)

- Liquid household cleaner (12-16 oz. liquid cleaner that can be mixed with water. No spray cleaners)

- Dish soap (16-28 oz. bottle any brand)
- 1 can air freshener (Aerosol or pump)
- 1 insect repellant spray

(6-14 oz. aerosol or spray pump with protective cover)

- 1 scrub brush (Plastic or wooden handle)
- 18 cleaning wipes (Handi Wipes or reusable wipes.
- No terry cleaning towels. Remove from packaging)

- 7 sponges (No cellulose sponges due to mold issues. Remove from wrapper)

- 5 scouring pads (Remove from wrapper. No stainless steel, Brillo pads, or SOS pads. Nothing with soap built in)

- 50 clothespins
- Clothesline
- (One 100-ft. or two 50-ft. lines, cotton or plastic)
- 24-roll heavy-duty trash bags
- (33- to 45-gallon sizes. Remove from the box)
- 5 dust masks

2 pairs kitchen dishwashing gloves (Should be durable enough for multiple uses. Remove from packaging)
1 pair work gloves (Cotton with leather palm or all leather)

If you collect all or some of the materials for a Flood Bucket, there will be an opportunity to assemble them as a team during both of the PLARN PARTIES listed below! If you assemble a bucket on your own, you can bring it to the Church before the last Plarn Party, or you can take it to the Conference Center, 4908 Colonial Drive.



The Missions Committee is hosting TWO Plarn Parties this month!

One on Sunday, September 17 from 12:00 - 1:30 PM in Threatt Hall, and another on Wednesday, September 20 from 5:30 - 7:00 PM in the Youth Room.

Bring a finger food to share and we will provide drinks and paper products! Also, bring scissors or a rotary cutter with a self healing mat if you have one. If you'd like for us to teach you how to make a mat, just bring a large crochet hook; size P or Q. If you are a plarn making champion, you are welcome to take them home to work on and bring them back!

If you are able to RSVP, gathering a head count is helpful for the committee! E-mail lainey@wsmethodist.org to RSVP Coming Up... Dinner + Worship + Swall Groups

for ALL ages!



Our Wednesday Night Fellowship Suppers are kicking off in just a matter of days!

Beginning next Wednesday, September 13th, we will meet on the second Wednesday of each month from 5:30 - 7:30 PM. For the first one, we will have Joe Epting's Famous Chicken Bog for dinner! Tickets will be on sale THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th. Adults are \$10 and KIDS EAT FREE!

If you're unable to swing by the table this Sunday, e-mail Lainey to let her know you'd still like to purchase tickets.

Save the Date...

Mark your calendars for our annual Fall Festival!

Sunday, October 22nd 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Costume contest (for ALL ages), supper, music, crafts, and so much more.

Bring your friends and share with your neighbors. We can't wait for this tradition that so many families enjoy!



Meet our Staff

SENIOR MINISTER Reverend Patricia Parrish *pjparrish@umcsc.org* Associate Minister for Community Connections and Missions Reverend Joe Wilson *jawilsonii@umcsc.org*

Associate Minister for Nurture and Discipleship Development Reverend Alston Lippert *aflippert@umcsc.org*

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CDC DIRECTOR Felicia Yockel

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC Angela Powers

Organist Louis Shirer

PIANIST Dr. Rick Frierson

Administrative Assistant Abbie McKenzie

Communication Specialist Lainey Wood

PROPERTY/MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR Jerry Sumpter

Soup Cellar Manager Sandy Endicott

Soup Cellar Assistant Eric Williams

Custodian Michael Hutto

Social Work Intern Meredith Transou

An Invitation

To all Women of WSUMC

<u>All Washington Street women are invited to attend the</u> <u>Columbia District United Methodist Women Annual Meeting on</u> <u>Saturday, September 16 from 9:00 - 1:00. On-site Registration is \$20</u> <u>which includes morning refreshments and lunch.</u>

We are honored to host approximately 175 women from across the Midlands to our beautiful, historic church. We will honor our 2017 Woman of the Year, Kathy Wright, as well as those saints who have passed away in 2016-17. A speaker and special music will be provided.

We also welcome any woman who has a passion for missions and fellowship to join us at any of our circles. A listing of circles, dates and locations is located on the UMW Bulletin Board next to the elevator.



Pictured Above: Several Members of UMW Executive Committee

September NMW Circle Meetings

MARY'S MAIDENS - Sunday, September 10 at 4:00-5:30 PM Disciple Conference Room

All girls in first - sixth grades are encouraged to join in this time where they will work together to serve others. Friends are always welcome! For any questions, please contact Mary Lide, 782-6035, or neaudl@aol.com.
CIRCLE 2 - Thursday, September 7th, 5:30 - 6:30 - The Wesley Room CIRCLE 3 - Tuesday, September 12th, 10:30 - 11:30 AM The Wesley Room
CIRCLE 5 - Tuesday, September 12th, 7:00 pm at the home of Mary Lide, 1400 Sherwood Rd.
CIRCLE 6 - Tuesday, September 5th, 10:00 - 11:00 AM The John Harper Classroom
CIRCLE 9 - Tuesday, September 12th, 5:30 - 6:30 PM The John Harper Classroom

Calendar of Weekly Activities

The calendar for the remainder of 2017 is available on Engage Washington. If you would like to add an event to our calendar, please contact Lainey Wood to ensure that the time and location are available.

Sunday, September 10

9:00 AM Worship - Christ Chapel 9:30 AM Sanctuary Choir Practice - LCR 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship – Sanctuary 4:00 PM Mary's Maidens - YR

Monday, September 11

5:30 PM Finance Committee - JHC 6:30 PM Church Council - WR

Tuesday, September 12

8:00 AM Prayer Group - WR
10:30 AM Circle 3 - WR
12:00 PM Transitions Annual Luncheon - TH
2:00 PM FCGV - WR
2:00 PM Reconciling Ministries of SC - JHC
5:30 PM AVP - WR
5:30 PM Space Utilization Team Meeting - Library
5:30 PM Circle 9 - HPR
5:30 PM Disciple 1 Study - JHC
6:30 PM Domestic Abuse Counseling Services - DCR
7:00 PM Circle 9 - Home of Mary Lide

Wednesday, September 13

10:45 AM Prayer Group - HPR
12:15 PM Brown Bag Bible Study - WR
5:30 PM Fellowship Supper (F3) - TH
5:30 PM Handbells Rehearsal - 3rd Floor Choir Room
6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Practice - LCR

Thursday, September 14

9:30 AM CDC Devotions - Christ Chapel
3:00 PM Veterans' PTSD Meeting - DCR
5:30 PM Firm It Up - YR
6:00 PM Columbia District UMW Rep. Mtg. - WR
7:00 PM Palmetto Chamber Orchestra - LCR

Friday, September 15 No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, September 16

9:00 AM 2017 Columbia District UMW Annual Meeting -Church Campus

Sunday, September 17

9:00 AM Worship - Christ Chapel 9:30 AM Sanctuary Choir Practice - LCR 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship – Sanctuary 12:00 PM Plarn Party - TH

Monday, September 18

5:30 PM Faith Formation Team Meeting - JHC6:30 PM Age Level Ministries Team Meeting - JHC

Tuesday, September 19

CDC Picture Day - Threatt Hall 8:00 AM Prayer Group - WR 2:00 PM Staff Meeting - JHC 5:30 PM Disciple 1 Study - JHC 5:30 PM Firm It Up - YR 5:30 PM New Worship Team Meeting - WR 6:00 PM Parents of Murdered Children - Grace Class 6:30 PM Domestic Abuse Counseling Services - DCR

Wednesday, September 20

10:45 -11:45 AM Prayer Group - HPR
12:00 PM FCGV - TH
12:15 PM Brown Bag Bible Study - WR
5:30 PM Plarn Party - YR
5:30 PM Evangelism Committee Meeting - WR
5:30 PM Handbells Practice - 3rd Floor Choir Room
6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Practice - LCR

Thursday, September 21

9:30 AM CDC Devotions - Christ Chapel
3:00 PM Veterans' PTSD Meeting - DCR
5:30 PM Killingsworth Board Meetings - JHC
5:30 PM Missions Committee Meeting - WR
5:30 PM Firm It Up - YR
6:00 PM Sandlapper Singers Rehearsal - Sanctuary
7:00 PM Palmetto Chamber Orchestra - LCR

Friday, September 22 No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, September 23 No Activities Scheduled

LOCATION KEY

JHC - John Harper Classroom DCR - Disciple Conference Room TH - Threatt Hall WR - Wesley Room YR - Youth Room HR - Holroyd Prayer Room LCR - Leavitt Choir Room GSR- Girl Scout Room