

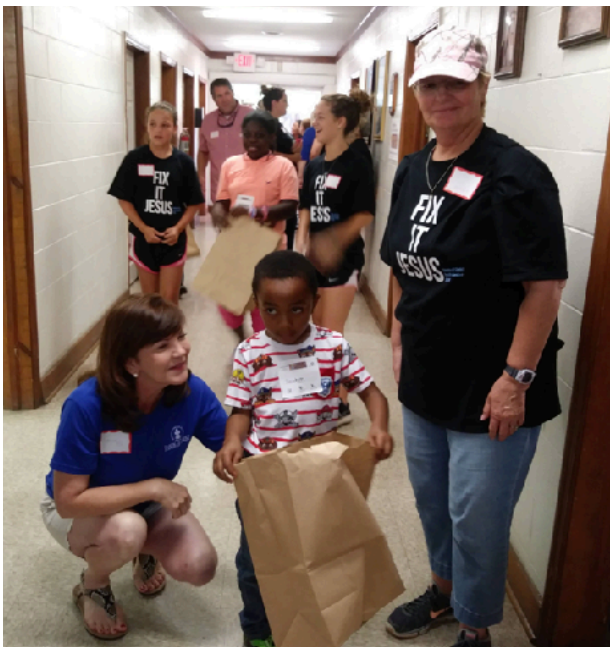
The Beacon

Sunrise Presbyterian Church

June 2022 Newsletter



The Mission of Hands of Christ is to bring Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) congregations together to meet the basic needs of children.



Sunrise Church is volunteering with Hands of Christ

Hands of Christ believes that education is the key to the success of individuals and communities. The program seeks to assist children in economic need as they begin the new school year with some of the necessary tools for success such as clothing and school supplies. They serve children in need regardless of their faith background.

Volunteers will help distribute the supplies and clothing at the Presbytery Office in Park Circle, North Charleston on **July 29th from 4-6pm and July 30th from 10am -12pm**. Signups are located in the fellowship hall, narthex and online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4AA5A62BA0FC1-hands>. You only need to signup on one of the above options.

Heartbreak and Hope

On opposite sides of the world, two places whose names begin with the letter *U* are shattered by violence. The unrelenting attack on Ukraine and the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas are breaking our collective hearts! The horrific violence and its senselessness are overwhelming. We cannot possibly get our heads and hearts around what we are hearing and seeing! Feelings of hopelessness threaten to overwhelm us. In the face of so much heartbreaking news, I heard two reports that give me hope.

Responding to the school shooting in Uvalde, parents from other school shootings are coming to offer the quiet support that only they know how to give. They know what these parents are experiencing. They recognize how to be present in a time like this. They remember what basic needs have to be met. One of these parents said the other night, "I don't remember where the meals came from or even eating them, but I know that basic need was met by neighbors and strangers. I'm headed to Uvalde because I know."

By chance, I heard about an anti-bullying program that is being shared in some schools. Listening to the person that developed it and presents it was heartwarming. The children are so aware of these emotional and sometimes physical attacks. From social media to the school hallways, there is a terrifying onslaught of personal attacks. When the presenter had finished letting the children describe their experiences, she asked them what word meant the most to them. The first student to answer responded: *forgiveness because it frees you*. From a young person, an expression of profound hope.

These glimpses of hope can easily be lost in the drumbeat of all the heartbreaking news. I invite you to look for the good and the hopeful that is still present around us. This month, I draw your attention to the good news around Sunrise.

The Hands of Christ distribution is returning, and we are providing leadership for the former Park Circle distribution site. We will be working along side two other congregations. The cover of this month's Beacon gives you the signup options. Please consider volunteering for this incredible outreach project!

Look at the pictures and read about the Family Service Mission Project. What a wonderful project! The energy and enthusiasm of the children and their parents is inspiring!

Below, see pictures of the most recent youth group meeting! Two of our young adults, Caroline Faltynski and Heather Heckart are volunteering to provide leadership for our youth.

There is so much good news around Sunrise! This summer promises to be filled with hope and truly wonderful!



In God's grace,





Sunrise Children's School on Sullivan's Island is hiring lead and assistant teachers for the 2022-23 school year (August - May) working with students 2-5 years old. Hours are 20-30 hours per week, Monday thru Friday 8:30-12:30 with some days until 2:30 pm. We boast a small ratio (12 students to 2 teachers), closed all holidays, winter break, spring break and summer and an hourly pay rate \$13-15 based on experience. This would be a great job for someone who loves to work with kids and is looking for a part time job. Please spread the word to anyone you know who may be interested. Please reach out to Lisa at 843-883-0038 or sunriseschoolonsi@gmail.com for more information.

Family Service Mission Project Success!

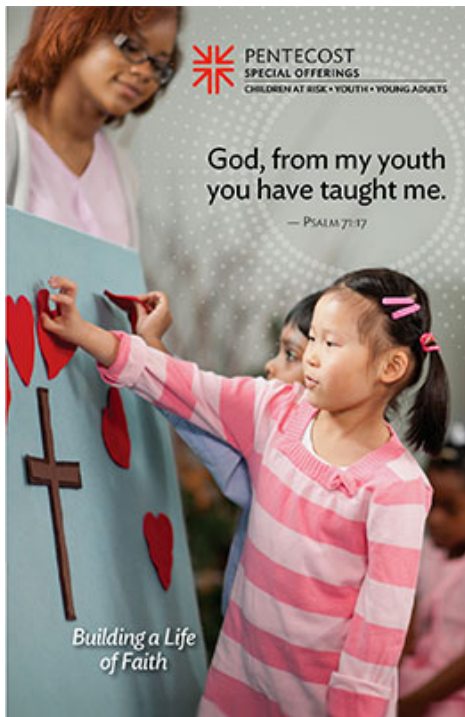
After several weeks of preparation, the families who participate in Sunrise's 10am Family Service joined together and packed 102 hygiene kits for Church World Service! These kits, which each contain a hand towel, washcloth, comb, nail clippers, bar of soap, toothbrush, and Band-Aids, will go to men, women, and children in the US and across the globe who find themselves in urgent need of their contents. Victims of natural disasters, poverty, and war will receive these kits to help them through the struggles they're facing.



This is a project that involved so many people, and though I always hesitate to name specific individuals for fear of leaving someone out, I'm just so thankful for all the hands and hearts that touched this project I can't help but highlight some of our mission heroes!

Though the completed kits themselves are a huge accomplishment, what really impressed me was how the children (some of them quite young) seemed to understand the importance of what we were doing. We are all called to help those in need, and I believe the earlier in our lives we start helping the better. I couldn't possibly be any prouder of our children. If they are our future, and I believe they most certainly are, I am filled with hope. -Reece





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God, from my youth
you have taught me.

— PSALM 71:17



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A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community. The remaining 60% is used to support ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency:

- Young Adult Volunteers
- Ministries for Youth
- Children-at-Risk
- Pentecost Offering Financials

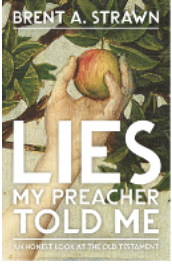
Prayer Concerns

Recent Prayer Concerns (Names are listed for a month): Danny Rumble (friend of Cal McRae), Raymond Patterson (family member of Ross & Julie Heaton), Whitfield Family, Scott Hood (friend of Cal McRae), Madeleine Soukup (great niece of Pat & Tom Bigelow), Dean Schmelter, Harper Uyttenhove (niece of Pam & Tim Kane).

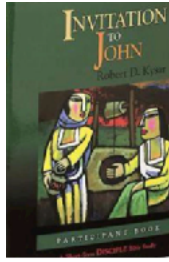
Continuing Prayer Concerns (Names are listed for 3 months): Trip Ritchie, Bill (Lynn Riker's brother-in-law), Lauren Nelson, John Nelson, Margaret Lavender, Kimberly (daughter of Marty & Don Belk), Nancy Hitchcock (friend of Cal & Billie McRae), Tracy Lambros (friend of Mary Ann and Jack Heidenreich), Gerry Hiers (Jimmy Hiers' mother), Lou Mintz, Leesa Phipps, Gail Owen (Lynn Riker's sister), Lee Sarp, Patrick McDougal, Linda Scott, John Myatt, Frank Godfrey, Peggy Wolford, Nancy Butler, Betty Imsande, Lou Bovie.

If you'd like to add someone to either prayer list, please let the church know at sunrisepresbyterian3222@gmail.com or 843.883.3888. 1) indicate if the person should be placed on the **Recent** OR **Continuing** prayer list and 2) the **individual's mailing address** so that they may receive postcards with expressions of care and concern from the congregation.

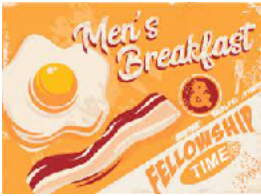
What's Happening this month at Sunrise



The Women's Evening Bible Study will meet June 21st at 5:30 p.m. We are using the book *Lies My Preacher Told Me: An Honest Look At The Old Testament* by Brent Strawn as our study guide. We will meet in person at the church and there will also be a zoom link for a remote option. Any questions, please contact me at reecehsmith@yahoo.com. ~ Reece



The Miriam-Naomi Circle will meet at 10:00 a.m. on June 14th. All women of the church are invited to attend. Our minister, Vance will lead us in our study book *Invitation To John* by Robert D. Kysar. We will continue our fellowship after the study with lunch at a convenient location for those who can do so.



Start off your Tuesdays with the Jerry Dillon Men's Prayer Breakfast at 7:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. The Prayer Breakfast is back in full swing, starting the day off right with great food, fellowship, and a devotion.

Youth Group

Youth Group is meeting under the leadership of Caroline Faltynski and Heather Heckart. During the summer, Youth Group will meet once a month for a special event. It is open to middle and high schoolers.



Thank you for your generous contributions to the Remembrance Garden...

~ Roberta B. Blanchard in memory of our mothers, Grace and Harriette

If you'd like to help keep the garden beautiful, please complete the donation form located in the narthex and note Remembrance Garden on the check memo line. Contributions given *in memory of* or *in honor of* someone will be included in the Beacon Dedication binder.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00 am AA Meeting	2 5:30 pm Agape Do Karate 6:00 pm Choir Practice 7:30 pm PVP Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall	3 12:30 pm Bridge - Fellowship Hall	4
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June Birthdays



1	Al Dawson	19	Lindsey Bennett
2	Susan Dickinson	19	Aileen Neikirk
3	Theresa Hipps	20	Jay Holliday
5	Jayne Nendorf	20	Bettie Norton
6	Barbara Smith	21	Piper Johnson
7	Leesa Phipps	22	Kip Nettles
7	Connor Kern	25	Patrick McDavid
10	Connor McKee	25	JB Belicka
13	Sharon Rogers	26	Bill Major
13	Joseph Jones	26	Ann Reaser
13	Ameline Stewart	28	Pam Kane
14	Mary Hill	28	Amy Jackson
16	Lauren Neese	28	Lin Schaffer
16	Piper Barnhart	28	Lauren Milly
18	June Dawson	29	Paul Boucher
18	Dylan Wermuth	29	Stephanie Heckart
18	Carter Wermuth		

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