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Christian Motivations 2

Sowing and Reaping

Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. (Gal 6:7, 8 KJV)

Certainly John 14:6 has had the decisive influence on the direction of my life (See September Messenger). Yet there have been a number of other milestones along the way where a verse or a passage jolted me from my spiritual slumbers and drove me forcefully in a direction I had not anticipated.

The preacher of my youth, Martin Van Buren Canavan IV, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dominquez in the Long Beach/Carson area of Southern California, thundered the above verses in the King James Version at a time when I needed to hear them. I can't place the time precisely. I was probably a pre-teen or an early teenager. "God is not mocked," he shouted in the course of his sermon. That "word" struck me. It was the first of many self-authenticating encounters with Scripture that would characterize my spiritual pilgrimage. I *knew* that because God is God, it must be true. He will not be mocked. We don't get away with anything. We mustn't kid

ourselves. "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." We will reap exactly what we sow. God will see to it. He will ensure it. Sow the Spirit and reap eternal life, or sow the flesh and reap corruption and eternal death.

I needed to know that truth as a tween-teen-ager. I was observing my friends getting increasingly worldly and given to excess. I saw myself as part of a decreasing minority of "straights." Thoughts passed through my mind about whether I was right to follow the path my family and church had laid out before me. My preacher's words hit me, or should I say, flooded me with conviction and certainty. God is God. He is not One with whom to be trifled ("messed with" is probably how I expressed it back then).

In conjunction with this, I have a clear memory of the most important sermon of my youth. It may have been part of the same message. It was entitled "The Unfunny Joke." My pastor talked about how Hollywood teaches us to laugh at sin. The funny drunk; he's the life of the party. Look at him stumble around. Listen to him slur his speech. Isn't he hilarious?

Then there is the funny off-color joke. We wink and nod knowingly at the double-entendre. We all laugh at the veiled references, and not so veiled

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references to erotic intimacies. It's all so funny. Ha-Ha-Ha. We get it. We're so sophisticated, so clever.

But, he said, come to our Skid Row mission and meet the medical doctor who is lying in the gutter in his own vomit, his career ruined, his marriage destroyed, his family devastated, and tell us how funny drunkenness is. Come to my office and counsel a sixteen-year-old girl who is pregnant out of wedlock and tell us how funny sex is. On and on he went with devastating clarity exhorting us to flee

immorality, to flee sin, and to pursue holiness. God, indeed, will not be mocked.

These themes had much to do with keeping me out of trouble at a time when so many of my peers were spiraling out of control. I needed to hear those warnings. I needed to hear about consequences. I believed John 14:6 with all my heart. I believed in salvation by faith and not works. Yet I needed a strong dose of biblical realism. Many voices today brush aside this kind of message as "law" or "moralism," thinking to invalidate exhortative preaching as they do. What I'm saying is, I needed to hear

Galatians 6:6, 7, and I needed to hear it without equivocation, without it being explained away, and without it dying to death of a thousand qualifications. I suppose that God put those verses in His Bible *because we all need to hear them*. I will always be grateful for a preacher who not only preached the gospel (every week, complete with altar call), but also preached the Bible's warnings. I needed both, and I suspect you do as well.

—Terry Johnson

Veterans Day Event at Point Pleasant November 8, 2014

Our church is planning an event on November 8 in conjunction with the Veterans Day holiday, at Point Pleasant, to honor the service of military veterans in our church and the surrounding community. In the past we have held a barbecue event for the military families in our church. The idea is to expand this to all of the veterans in our church, as well as conducting an outreach to the greater active duty military and veteran community. Our church is an excellent fit for the military and veteran community, especially in these times of dramatic change to the traditional moral foundation of the military culture.

We will have a barbecue meal, grilled onsite, followed by a short program and message. Throughout all of this we will extend an invitation for those attending the event to visit IPC

as a place of worship. The meal is targeted to start at 11:30 a.m. and we would want to complete the program by 1-1:30 p.m., depending on the number attending. More details will follow on the agenda for the day. We have a plan to contact the active military community and veteran's organizations in the Savannah area, to cast the seeds for this celebration.

For this event to be successful, in honoring the service of our veterans, and growing our congregation and God's Kingdom, we will need volunteers to support it. We will need people to serve on a committee to complete planning and execution of the event, volunteers to serve on November 8, setting up, preparing/serving food, cleanup/teardown, greeting attendees, and most important, spreading the word of welcome to IPC. If you are active duty or a veteran, please mark

November 8 on your calendar and plan to attend this event. Anyone interested in volunteering to support our veteran's day event, as a member of the planning/execution committee or to work on the day of the event, please contact me by phone or email below. Volunteers do not need to be veterans! I would ask for everyone to pray for God's blessing on this outreach to the active military and veteran community in Savannah.

Dexter Brewer
dbrewer@coastalnow.net
912-727-4418

(If no answer, please leave a message and I will return your call.)

If you are planning on attending this event, please R.S.V.P. to ipcveteransday@gmail.com or call Dexter Brewer.



Women's Ministry

Our WOC Fall Annual Meeting and Tea

Once each year the women of our church gather for a morning of celebration, encouragement, introductions, and information. We need this time together! It gives us a sense of connection as women of all ages participate. To help set the day apart, our Care Groups bring beautiful table settings, transforming Point Pleasant. For this meeting our own women take turns in leadership roles and work to provide everything that is needed for the morning.

We have specific goals to accomplish while we enjoy each other's company. We affirm the ideas of biblical womanhood, and we thank the women who laid these foundations for us. Biblical ideals of womanhood are not lost among us, and we are grateful to God that women in our congregation have faithfully modeled them before us. We introduce women who are new to our church and those who joined the church in the last year. We talk about opportunities for participation and service to the church. We want these women to quickly take their place among us and discover their areas of involvement. We emphasize that we are not complete without everyone's participation. We want younger women to feel comfortable being with women of all ages in our church. We want them to know that we care about them and will support them as they grow to maturity. We tell them that one day they will be us. Titus 2 teaches us to be involved in the lives of women and to have a sense of responsibility for others. It teaches us that biblical womanhood is passed from one

generation to another by intentionally investing in the lives of women. This one meeting gives us the opportunity to get these messages out to the women in our church.

This year Sarah Spencer along with Molly Elizabeth Gibson, one of the high school girls in her Youth Small Group, read Scripture and led the group in singing to open our meeting. Dottie Mitchell prayed for us and provided leadership for the program. Dottie introduced Wendy Sutton, who spoke to us about her struggles of trusting God through the adoption process. Wendy told us about the kindness of God toward her and the gift of Ruth Anne to the Sutton family. We could relate to Wendy in our own weaknesses as we also struggle to trust God through difficulties. Wendy also encouraged us with God's faithfulness to her. Following a break Dottie introduced mother and daughter, Tevis and Grace Garnett, who played a piano duet for us. Carol Scott brought fall decorations for the front porch, welcoming us to the event. Susan Jackson used her creativity to make lovely floral centerpieces for each of our tables. Stefani Thompson took pictures so we could remember the day. Cheryl Murray and her kitchen staff provided us with a delicious meal and tea goodies. Delyn Barksdale and Kate Robinson spent the morning making our tea. So, many women worked sacrificially to make this year's gathering a wonderful time for all.

Jane Boatright

WOC Fall Events and Opportunities for Service

Holiday Hospitality

Saturday, November 15, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Decorating the Church for the Season

Friday, December 12, at 9:00 a.m.
Contact Carolyn Hodges or Carol Scott (656-0664)
for more information.



Moral Concerns

WHY ARE WE PRO-LIFE?

Organizations for life carry out their lifesaving mission by promoting respect for the worth and dignity of every individual human being. This includes all unborn children from conception to birth; persons with disabilities; older physically weak people, and those vulnerable people who cannot defend themselves. All these areas of concern include abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and the killing of unborn children for stem cells.

The National Right to Life and other organizations work to achieve their mission through education, legislation and political action. Their activities include providing research, educational materials, information and leadership training for effective right-to-life citizenship. They also sponsor legislation to advance the protection of human life and support the election of those who defend life.

All people are encouraged to join in this great cause with the National Right to Life. A nationwide network of 50 affiliated state groups, thousands of community chapters, hundreds of thousands of members and millions of individual supporters all across the country act on the information they receive from the NRTL. Their mission is to protect and defend the most fundamental right of humankind, the right to life of every innocent human being from the beginning of life to natural death. The sixth commandment always defends life. "Thou shalt not kill."

America's first document as a new nation, The Declaration of Independence, states that we are all "created equal" and endowed by our Creator "with certain

unalienable Rights, that among these are Life..." Our Founding Fathers emphasized the preeminence of the right to "Life" by citing it first among the unalienable rights of this nation.

In 2008 I became concerned about the tragic growth of abortion more than ever before because of the election of the most pro-abortion U.S. President. This President was a man who was strongly in favor of government expansion across the board, especially the federal government. The government could fund abortion with a national healthcare act, commonly called the Affordable Health Care Act, which was signed by President Obama in March 2010.

I called the strongest pro-life leader I knew, Nellie Gray, the president of the March for Life in Washington, D.C. I wanted to know what the most paramount thing a pro-life grass roots organization could do to stop abortion on demand. She turned down the TV at her abode and immediately said, "John, we have to educate and re-educate people and all our elected representatives at the national level." I asked her if this was feasible in light of the 2008 election.

Nellie said, "We must re-educate our country to defend those who cannot defend themselves."

I also asked her about the preparation for the up-coming March for Life. She said in November 2008 the preparations were on schedule. The March would have all the safe-laid plans for all the people in attendance, not only for the Rally (speakers in the pro-life movement) but also for the march to the Supreme Court.

Our group from IPC and friends from other churches once again attended the

March for Life. We met and spoke with the staff of our two Senators and our House members. Sometimes we have felt like apostles, or shall we say, early Christians, talking to unbelievers about the gospel.

Through it all, our Senators and Congressmen are without excuse. They are all aware that life begins at conception, and they know we are holding them responsible for how they vote on important life issues. We will never become weary with this issue and will continue to voice our concerns and always stress the importance of overturning the Roe v. Wade decision of 1973.

Right to life really is a discourse at the national, state, and local levels. We are the leaders of this national conversation on law being made at all levels, which has to be maintained for Roe v. Wade to ever be overturned. Unborn lives have been saved through God's hand, blessing our efforts.

A report released February 3, 2014 by the Guttmacher Institute found that abortion rates and ratios are continuing to decline in the United States. Public debate over the rights of unborn children seems to be playing a role in this trend.

The battle for life will be won only through active pro-life churches whose pastors proclaim pro-life gospel preaching, and by how their members respond to the message of the word of God.

According to the Scriptures, life begins at conception rather than at the time of delivery or at some arbitrary point during gestation. Psalm 139:13-16

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Music Ministry

indicates that God knew the writer of these verses while he was yet unformed. In Jeremiah 1: 4-5, there was an indication that God knew Jeremiah before he was born and had a special purpose for his life. This is one of several biblical passages that indicate a continuum of life that starts before birth and continues after death. In the book of Exodus, chapter 21, verses 22-24, it is quite clear that God considers the life of the unborn to be just as valuable as the life of an adult. When you link this belief with the commandment to "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:39), it becomes clear that we should be helping women who find themselves in a tough place with an unplanned pregnancy.

As we work to save the unborn we are helping change the value for all innocent life. You may not see change in our finite perception of time, but look at the history of slavery. Just like slavery, this issue of life will take a lifetime to correct. May the old, middle aged and young, all have active gospel hearts to protect the unborn.

The innocent need your help by praying for them, by being part of the national debate on abortion, and by attending the March for Life bus trip January 21-23, 2015.

John Rigby
Right to Life Committee

March For Life

January 21-23, 2015

WASHINGTON, D.C.

All Choirs are preparing for weekly worship as well as our annual Lessons and Carols Service.

The Seraph Choir (4 and 5 year olds) is now rehearsing on Sunday morning with the Cherub Choir (1st and 2nd grade) from 10:10-10:30. We are learning music for the Lessons and Carols service. Please make this rehearsal available to your child.

LESSONS & CAROLS SERVICE—DECEMBER 14 • 5:30 PM

CDs and booklets have been sent to the Cherub, Seraph, and Chapel Choirs. If you did not receive a booklet with CD in the mail, please contact either me or the church office. These are also available online at <http://bit.ly/4ipchildren14>.

Church: 236-3346. My cell: 596-8569

Please encourage your child to listen to the music, memorize it, and attend weekly rehearsals. All of the music on the CD must be memorized.

Lessons and Carols Dress Rehearsal

DECEMBER 13 • 8:00-10:00 a.m.

ALL CHILDREN — please reserve
8:00 - 10:00 a.m. for rehearsal in the sanctuary.

Further details will be available in the December newsletter.

Just for your information, there are currently approximately 150 attending our choirs.

Here is a current list of all our choirs:

Seraph & Cherub Choirs	4 year old-2nd grade	Sunday 10:10-10:30
Youth Choir	7 th grade up	Sunday 4:00-5:00
Chapel Choir	2 nd -6 th grade	Sunday 7:00-7:45
Handbell Choir	by appointment	Wednesday 5:30-6:30
Sanctuary Choir	Adult Choir	Wednesday 6:30-8:30

Please keep our Ministry of Music in your prayers. Pray for good health for our choir members. Pray for faithful attendance at rehearsals. And as we sing from week to week, pray that our music will indeed be a ministry to God's people.



In Christ's Service,
Kathryn Van Eck

Family Corner

NOVEMBER 2014
YEARS 1-10

Psalm 146

Based on the Book of Psalms, 1871, and The Psalter, 1912

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah!
O my soul, Jehovah praise!
- 2 While I live I'll praise Jehovah,
Praise my God through all my days.
- 3 Put no confidence in princes,
Nor for help on man depend;
- 4 He shall die, to dust returning,
And his purposes shall end.
- 5 Happy is the man that chooses
Jacob's God to be his aid;
He is blessed whose hope of blessing
On the Lord his God is stayed.
- 6 He has made the earth and heaven,
Seas, and all that they contain;
He will keep His truth forever,
Rights of those oppressed maintain.

Food Jehovah gives the hungry,
Sight Jehovah gives the blind,
Freedom gives He to the pris'ner,
8 Cheer to those bowed down in mind.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous
9 To the stranger is a stay,
Helps the fatherless and widow,
But subverts the sinner's way.

- 1 Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,
O my soul, Jehovah praise;
- 2 While I live I'll praise Jehovah
Praise my God through all my days.
- 10 Over all God reigns for ever,
Through all ages he is King;
Unto him, thy God, O Zion,
Joyful hallelujahs sing.

TUNE: RIPLEY 87.87.D
Gregorian chant;
Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1839

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YEARS 11-15

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Based on *Te Deum*, ca. 4th cent.
Attr. To Ignace Franz, ca. 1774
Tr. by Clarence A. Walworth, 1853; alt. 1990, mod.
Stanzas 1 & 4

Holy God, we praise your name;
Lord of all, we bow before you;
All on earth your scepter claim;
All in heav'n above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain,
everlasting is your reign.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit,
Three we name you;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim you,
And adoring bend the knee,
While we sing this mystery.

GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH 7.8.7.8.7.7.
Katholisches Gesanbuch, Vienna, ca. 1774

Psalm 146

The last five psalms begin and end with the word, "Hallelujah," or "praise the Lord" and so have been called the "Great Hallel," bringing the psalter to a close with a crescendo of praise. Psalm 146 praises the Lord's reign, particularly the blessing that it will be for the weak and vulnerable, for those typically denied their rights or protection, who are exploited and oppressed.

Contrasted with man's role (vv 3,4) the rule of God means provision for each at precisely the point of need: justice for the oppressed, food for the hungry, freedom for the prisoners, sight for the blind, help for those bowed down, for the sojourner, for the widow, the fatherless, the righteous; and it means ruin for the wicked. Israel caught a glimpse of righteous rule in its virtuous kings, such as David, Solomon, and Josiah. Their rule pointed forward to the greater than David, Jesus Christ, in whom the rule of God will be realized. (1 Cor 15:23ff; Rev 4ff)

BIBLE STUDIES AND CIRCLE MEETINGS

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Time	Weekly Bible Studies	Location	Topic	Contact
10:00-11:30 AM	Tuesday Morning Ladies 1 st Tuesday—brown-bag fellowship until 1:00 PM	Whitaker Street Building, 3 rd Floor (Nursery provided—Axson Building)	<i>Romans</i>	Peggy Marting (912-598-9870) peggymarting@bellsouth.net
10:00-11:30 AM	Tuesday Morning Young Women	Whitaker Street Building, 4 th Floor (Nursery provided—Axson Building)	<i>Book of James</i>	Dottie Mitchell (912-232-1323)
7:30 PM	Tuesday Evening Garmer (senior adults)	WILL NOT MEET DURING NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER	<i>Matthew</i>	Ron Parrish (912-236-3346)

7:00 PM	Thursday Evening Covenant (career/post-college)	Whitaker Street Building, 4 th Floor	<i>1 Corinthians</i>	Nick Bullock (601-341-8304)
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Time	Ladies' Circle Meetings	Location	Topic	Contact
Nov. 4 7:00 PM	Tuesday Evening Circle (1 st Tuesday)	Mrs. Tevis Garnett's home (13 Pinewood Avenue)	<i>*The Enemy Within</i> by Kris Lundgaard	Jane Boatright (912-777-5951)
		* We are beginning the study of a new book		
Nov. 11 10:30 AM	Tuesday Morning Circle (2 nd Tuesday)	Oglethorpe Club, 450 Bull Street hostess: Mrs. Kathrine Chisholm (925-8631)	<i>Knowing God</i> by J. I. Packer	Linda DePue (912-355-5580)
Nov. 13 10:30 AM	Thursday Morning Circle (2 nd Thursday)	Mrs. Brenda Oliver's home (6 Cuthbert Lane [The Landings])	<i>Minor Prophets</i>	Annette Hartley (912-598-8018)
Nov. 20 9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Islands Circle (3 rd Thursday)	Mrs. Fef Nolen's home (102 Paxton Drive) (Nursery provided by R.S.V.P.—Call Fef at 912-856-4813)	<i>When People are Big and God is Small</i> by E. Welch	Peggy Marting (912-598-9870) peggymarting@bellsouth.net



Thanksgiving Service

November 23

5:30 p.m.

Adult Sunday School Electives

For a second year during Winter Quarter the Adult Sunday School (December — February) will be offering five electives. The same electives offered in 2013. We are asking that you sign up for the class that you would like to attend. We will again be moving out of our normal age segregated classes. Classrooms will be assigned based on class size. You will have an opportunity to sign up for these classes during Sunday School in November. You may also sign up online at <http://bit.ly/ipcwinters14> or you can call the church office to indicate your selection. The classes offered are:

The Westminster Confession of Faith

TERRY JOHNSON

A Case Study in Prayer from Ephesians 3

RON PARRISH

A Christian View of Art and Architecture

DAVID GOBEL

Accepted in the Beloved: How Jesus Redeems Our Guilt, Fear, and Shame

TIM FOSTER

Preparing for the Messiah: Looking through the Eyes of Israel

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SESSIONAL ACTIONS

1. Approval was given to dissolve the Communication Committee and give oversight of church communications to Church Administrator Josh Espinosa.
2. Approval was given to purchase a new van to support the church's ministries.
3. Approval was given for the wedding of Miss Rachel Garnett and Mr. Jay Carpenter on June 6, 2015.
4. Approval was given for Sr. Minister Terry Johnson to speak at the Greenville Theological Seminary Commencement on May 20, 2016.

Youth Ministry



SENIOR HIGH CAMPING TRIP TO LINVILLE GORGE, NC
OCTOBER 10-12

Men's Reading Club 2015

The Men's Reading Club will begin a new book in 2015. We have completed the two volumes of Calvin's *Institutes* in 2013-14. Next year we will launch into William Gurnall's *The Christian in Complete Armour*, (one volume edition), a "peerless and priceless" work, said Charles H. Spurgeon. "Every line is full of wisdom; every sentence is a suggestive." John Newton said that if he might read only one book besides the Bible, he would choose *The Christian in Complete Armour*. J. C. Ryle offers similar praise.

Join us. We will now offer two meeting times, both on the last Thursday of the month:

- Breakfast 7:00 – 8:00 a.m.
- Lunch 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Read between three and four (devotional quality) pages of Gurnall a day and join us each month for discussion. Let us know of your interest (Contact Karen Hansill at the church office or via email at khansill@ipcsav.org) and we'll email a schedule of reading to you. The book order will be made in mid-December.

THANK YOU

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thanks be to God for my church family! I am grateful beyond measure, for the support I have received from IPC in my season of sorrow, upon the deaths of my father and sister-in-law. Thank you for the prayers of encouragement, the godly counsel, the calls, cards and notes. I have been nourished and sustained through your petitions and uplifted by the shower of Christian love.

Most sincerely,
Alice Chisholm

Children's Ministry

The children of our church are already hard at work on our beloved Lessons and Carols service. The Cherub Choir consists of our four year olds and kindergarteners while our Seraph Choir is our dear first and second graders. These groups are now working with Mrs. Kathryn Van Eck during the Sunday School hour to learn all the songs they will be singing in December. Please pray for them and those teachers who are helping shepherd them through these rehearsals.

LESSONS AND CAROLS SERVICE

This is a wonderful time for members to volunteer for small jobs that make a big difference for our children! As we move into Christmas season, would you consider one of the following opportunities? We have a need for adults to help with the robing of our children before the Lessons and Carols service. We meet in the Telfair Chapel before the service to robe and then again after the service to help return the robes to the rack and choir robing room. Our children enjoy their own Christmas buffet in the adult choir room while adults are partaking in the fellowship hall. Could you bring some child-friendly food for them to enjoy? How about setting up or cleaning up after the event? We set up at 4:00 p.m. and clean up immediately after the dinner. Either way, it is less than 30 minutes!

THANKFULNESS

As believers, each season is one of thanks to our God and Creator. Thanksgiving is a special time for us as a family to pause and reflect on the blessings He has bestowed on our church and especially our Children's Ministry. We are especially grateful for those volunteers who answer the call to teach our children and rock our babies. Thank you dear servants for your faithfulness and service to the youngest members of our families. May you enjoy God's richest blessings.

Amy Martin

COVENANT OYSTER ROAST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14 ~ 6:00 PM

We invite all career-age folk to join us on Friday evening, November 14, beginning at 6:00 p.m., for an oyster roast at Point Pleasant, 441 Suncrest Blvd. For information or questions, please contact Nick Bullock in the church office at 912-236-3346.

Announcements & Events

THE LORD'S SUPPER SERVICE

The Lord's Supper will be observed during our evening service on November 2. Because of the exceptional blessing we have in this sacrament and the danger of eating and drinking unworthily, it is necessary that we come to it with knowledge, faith, repentance, love and with hungering and thirsting souls after Christ and His benefits. The congregation is encouraged to use all appointed means, public and private to come to the Lord's Table, depending upon God for the gracious preparation of the heart, according to His promise (Psalm 10:17).

OFFICER EXAMINATIONS

Officers' Examinations will be held on Monday, November 3, and possibly continue on Tuesday, November 4. Please meet in the Administration Bldg. at 7:00 p.m. with members of the Session and Diaconate. A pizza meal will be provided at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room.

SESSION/DIACONATE

The regular meeting for the Session will be held on Monday, November 3 at 5:30 p.m. in the Administration Building and the Diaconate will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Whitaker Building. They will have a joint meeting at 6:30 p.m. We will be examining new officers at 7:00 p.m.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a congregational meeting immediately following the morning service on November 16, for the purpose of electing new church officers and trustees. No other business will be conducted

MEN'S READING CLUB

The Men's reading club will meet on Thursday, November 20, (assignment to read is: *Institutes, IV.xix.1-IV.xix.37*, pages 1448-1484). Bring your brown-bag lunch and join Reverends Parrish and Johnson in the Administration Bldg., in the upstairs corner classroom, at noon.

BLUFFTON WORSHIP SERVICE

The worship services at Bluffton will not meet on November 2. They will be at IPC for the Lord's Supper. They will resume on November 9 at the United Methodist Church, 101 Calhoun Street, Bluffton, SC 29910. Rev. Ron Parrish will be preaching. For more information, contact Wallace Milling at 843-429-8463 or wmillin@gmail.com.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mark and Barbara Rustine will have a PowerPoint presentation on their ministry to the Philippines on Sunday evening, November 9, at 7:15 p.m. in the Mary Telfair Chapel. Eat your meal, then come to the chapel.

OFFICER INSTALLATION

The elected Officers and Trustees will be installed/ordained during the morning service on Sunday, November 23.

CARE GROUP EVENTS

CARE GROUPS #11 (BOATRIGHT) AND CARE GROUP #10 (BRUNSON)

Care Groups #11 (Boatright) and #10 (Brunson) will have a meeting on Saturday, November 1 at 4:00 p.m., at the home of the Boatrights, 114 Wedgefield Crossing. Please R.S.V.P. to Jane Boatright at (912) 777-5951.

CARE GROUP # 3 (DANIELL)

Care Group #3 (Daniell) will have a cookout at Point Pleasant, 441 Suncrest Blvd. on Friday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Please R.S.V.P. to Judy Daniell at (912) 356-1202.

WEDNESDAY NOON SERVICE

Our noon service and luncheon will not be held on Wednesday, November 26. It will resume on Wednesday, December 3.

THE OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holidays on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28. It will reopen on Monday, December 1.

COMMITMENT CARDS

As of Monday, October 27, we have received 110 commitment cards totaling \$1,042,601 toward the church's budget for 2015.

Commitment cards may be mailed to the church office, or you may place them in the offering plate on Sundays. Additional cards are available in the church office.

Tithes/Offerings

Month	Received	Needed	Over/Short
1st Quarter	\$440,827	\$508,495	-\$67,668
2nd Quarter	\$459,542	\$508,495	-\$48,953
3rd Quarter	\$446,957	\$508,495	-\$61,538
October	\$126,979	\$156,460	-\$29,481
Totals	\$1,474,305	\$1,681,945	-\$207,640

November Birthdays

1 Jane Torrance	6 William Woods	17 Laura Sweat	26 Laura Gift
1 Mary Drew	6 Ben Robinson	17 Jody Robinson	27 Andrew Barrett
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WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

. . . to *Mr. and Mrs. Clark Rookstool* who were united in marriage Saturday, October 18, 2014, at the Oglesby Union Church, Oglesby, IL. Mrs. Rookstool is the former Miss Abby McKee.

BIRTH

Congratulations to *Mr. and Mrs. Andrew B. Barrett (Julia)* on the birth of their son, MacLean Lyle Barrett, born October 1, 2014, in Savannah, GA. The proud grandparents are *Mr. and Mrs. Timothy M. Ragen (Emmy)*.

BEREAVEMENT

The congregation of Independent Presbyterian Church extends sincere sympathy to:

. . . *Mr. and Mrs. Creed Taylor* and family on the death of Creed's sister, *Helen Taylor Jordan*, who entered the Lord's presence on Thursday, September 25, 2014, in Savannah, GA.

. . . *Mr. and Mrs. H. Sherwin Prescott III* and family on the death of their son, *Henry "Hank" S. Prescott IV*, who entered the Lord's presence on Tuesday, October 7, 2014, in South Carolina.

. . . *Rev. and Mrs. Soren Kornegay* and family on the death of Emma's grandmother, *Wilma Foster Gwinn*, who entered the Lord's presence on Thursday, October 9, 2014, in South Carolina.

. . . *Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loyd* and family on the death of Donna's brother-in-law, *Larry G. Edie*, who passed away on Thursday, October 16, 2014, in Joplin, MO.

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD November 10-19

This holiday season, you can share God's love and the true meaning of Christmas with a child in need. Pack your shoe boxes with toys, hygiene items, school supplies, and other small gifts, and drop them off in the Fellowship Hall November 10-19. Brochures are available in the Fellowship Hall or Church Office. For questions or further information, call Nick Bullock in the church office at 236-3346.

1. Use an empty shoe box (standard size, please) or small plastic container.
2. Select Boy or Girl and the child's age category (paste the label to the top of your box).
3. Fill shoe box with a variety of gifts.
4. Include your donation of \$9 to cover shipping costs.
5. Place a rubber band around each shoe box and lid and drop off in the Fellowship Hall before November 19.
6. Pray for the child who will receive your box.

Do not include: used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; liquids or lotions; breakable items such as snowglobes; aerosol cans.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2
AT 2:00 A.M.

REMEMBER TO TURN YOUR
CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR
BEFORE YOU GO TO BED
ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1.