

CALENDAR

Sunday,
 9:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 9:30 a.m. Coffee and doughnuts, FH
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 12:00 p.m. Kitchen Dedication Lunch, FH

Monday,
 9:30 a.m.– 3 p.m. Kindermusik
 9:30 a.m. Prayer Group
 10:00 a.m. Shake Your Soul
 11:00 a.m. Pacesetters, FH

Tuesday,
 7:00 p.m. Ladies’ Book Club -
 at the home of Karen Wish

Wednesday,
 5:00 p.m. Junior and Wesley Choirs
 6:00 p.m. Dinner, Fellowship Hall
 6:40 p.m. Programs for all ages
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday,
 9:30 a.m.– 12:30 p.m. Kindermusik

Friday,
 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Homeschool Music Classes

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October 22
 Morning Worship
 Coffee and doughnuts, FH
 Sunday School for all ages
 Morning Worship
 Kitchen Dedication Lunch, FH

October 23
 Kindermusik
 Prayer Group
 Shake Your Soul
 Pacesetters, FH

October 24
 Ladies’ Book Club -
 at the home of Karen Wish

October 25
 Junior and Wesley Choirs
 Dinner, Fellowship Hall
 Programs for all ages
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

October 26
 Kindermusik

October 27
 Homeschool Music Classes

October 29 - Rev. Jeff Newlin
 Morning Worship
 Coffee and doughnuts, FH
 Sunday School for all ages
 Morning Worship
 CWC– Seraph Brass

October 30
 Kindermusik
 Prayer Group
 Shake Your Soul

November 1
 Junior and Wesley Choirs
 Dinner, Fellowship Hall
 Reformation Anniversary
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

November 2
 Kindermusik

November 3
 Homeschool Music Classes

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October 22—November 4, 2017

Matthew 6:31,33 - “So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’... But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

Growing up in a parsonage and moving a lot as a child, we didn’t have a tendency to accumulate a whole lot. We traveled light as a family. That was during the day when all churches had completely furnished parsonages. Those days are gone. But growing up, I do think it had a positive impact on me although I didn’t recognize it at the time. Oh sure, I love a new TV every once in a while, or a new golf club or a new car just like the next guy, but for the most part I live an uncluttered life.

When my parents were in their late 70’s and early 80’s there was a period where every time I went to see them they would give me a box of stuff. I kind of knew what they were doing. They were simplifying and downsizing for the last time. When my parents died and I cleaned out their house, half of it went to Goodwill and the other half went to the dumpster. My brothers and I kept a few items, but there were no treasures hidden in the few things they had accumulated: just clothes, furniture, and knickknacks. It was just stuff.

It has taken me a while to really understand, but my parents had a life of gratitude. Gratitude makes us feel like we have enough. An attitude of gratitude is a state of being in which we feel full and complete. Our culture tells us fill to up with more: more food, more material things, more this and more that. An attitude of gratitude can break the cycle of always thinking more, more, more. It breaks the rat race and teaches us to rest in the grace of God. If we can get to that place, I think it will reduce some of our stress and high blood pressure. It will help us find more peace and contentment in the day to day.

A life of ingratitude makes us feel like we are deprived; that kind of attitude leaves us searching, acquiring, wanting, and looking for more. The text in Matthew today reminds us to seek after things, but the right things. Seek after God and God’s ways and you can rest in knowing God’s goodness, grace, and provisions.

Pray for the Lord to help you seek after Him; be grateful for all your blessings; and know when enough is enough. - Jody Alderman

- Join us as we continue to discuss *Enough* by Adam Hamilton,
 Sundays at 10am in Room 108!

**Worship Service
October 22, 2017**

What Part Belongs to God?

*Sermon Scripture: Matthew 22:15-22
Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10*

**Worship Service
October 29, 2017**

Guest Preacher: Reverend Jeff Newlin

*Sermon Scripture: Matthew 22:34-46
Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8*

PACESETTER GROUP MEETING

Monday, October 23, 2017 - 11:00 AM - Fellowship Hall

We are happy to have Susan Everitt, Augusta Red Cross Director, as our speaker. She will tell us how local volunteers assisted evacuees during the recent hurricanes. She will also speak about Red Cross history, training and volunteer opportunities. Join us and be inspired by Susan's dedicated enthusiasm for helping those facing disaster. Lunch following the meeting - \$7.00 - for those wishing to stay.

The Ladies, Literature and Laughter October Book Club will meet to discuss *Leaving Time* by Jodi Picoult, 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at the home of Karen Wish 3720 Pavilion Drive, Martinez, GA 30907. RSVP at Karen.wish@yahoo.com. Join us!

Concerts with a Cause

October 29 3:00 pm

Seraph Brass

"From impressionist compositions to popular Broadway hits, the all-female brass quintet Seraph Brass showed off the tremendous versatility and range of brass instruments."

-The Independent, Gallup, NM

The cause: Downtown Cooperative Church Ministries

November 1 - Reformation Night

Join us after supper in the Fellowship Hall as we commemorate the 500th Anniversary of Martin Luther nailing his 95 Theses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany in 1517, the historic start of the Protestant Reformation.



Advent Decorations: Please contact Martha Spooner or Paula Matson, if you would like to remember or honor a loved one with any of the church decorations during the Advent Season.

Our Prayers

Judith Goodwin, Jim Richardson, Sally Fisher, Leonard Brubaker, Bobby James, Laura Adams, Dorothy Millen, Don Beck, The Hale House, New Bethlehem Community Center, The Stith Mead House, Military at home and deployed overseas, and the troubled corners of our world.

Sunday

Preaching
Liturgist

Lay Reader

Ushers

Acolyte

Crucifer

Offering Counters

Sound Technicians

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October 22

The Reverend Dr. Jody Alderman

Allen Smith, 9 a.m.

Jeff Pullium, 11 a.m.

Rich Laschober, 9 a.m.

Kim West, 11 a.m.

Frank Fidler, 9 a.m.

William Walker, Lead Usher; Mark Fissel;

Don Gordon; Suzanne Gordon; Phil Hargrove; Donna Leone;

Vivian Stampley; Roy Stampley, Jr.; Charlie Tudor, 11 a.m.

Madison Hixon

Lucy Mcjunkins

Charles Piercy and Clara Claussen

Ronald and Donna Strom, 9 a.m.

Carol Capers, 11 a.m.

October 29

Reverend Jeff Newlin

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Vivian Stampley; Roy Stampley, Jr.; Charlie Tudor, 11 a.m.

Catherine Blanchard

Russell Blanchard

Bubba Nash and William Walker

Ronald and Donna Strom, 9 a.m.

Logan Kuehl, 11 a.m.

October is Warm Clothing Drive Month:

Please bring warm clothing and blankets for distribution through our Clothing Closet. Socks, underwear, sturdy shoes and men's belts are always needed, too. You may drop them off at the rack outside the church office or take them directly to the clothing closet during their open hours.

HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

Bless This House: In memory of Cameron Johnson by Jane & Doug Flanders. In memory of Lansing Lee, Jr. by Carol & Bill McGahee. In memory of Betty B. Reagan by Beth Lee.

In memory of Levings Laney by Jeanne & Lansing Lee, III; Jane & Doug Flanders; Mr. & Mrs. John F. Bates; Sandy Lewis; Rebecca R. Smith; Patti C. Parker; Rebecca & Patrick Murphy; Mattie & Kathy Morris; Katherine & Gary Crook; Retired Officers of Georgia Railroad Bank & Trust Company; Charles & Rita Stewart; Joe & Dottie Putnal; and Gerry & Betty Aldridge.

In honor of Laverne Garrard, Clara Claussen, and Etelka Mayo by Charles & Joan Piercy. In honor of Jim & Eve Richardson and Sally & Bob Fisher by Beth Lee.

Budget: In memory of High & Flossie Mobley by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Parker. In memory of Levi Hill, III by V.L. & Isabelle Maxwell.

Music Memorial: In memory of Betty B. Reagan by Greg & Carol Capers.

Endowment Fund: In memory of Levings Laney by W. Wynn Riley.

Kindermusik: In memory of Cameron Johnson by Rebecca R. Smith.

Wednesday Night Supper

October 25, 2017

Menu: Pork chops/chicken, macaroni & cheese, cabbage, fruit salad, cherry cobbler, corn bread/biscuits, tea, and coffee.

Wednesday Night Supper

November 1, 2017

Menu: Chicken pot pie, butter beans, steamed carrots, fruit salad, brownies, rolls, tea, and coffee.

Kids Menu option: Chicken nuggets, French fries.

Cost: Adults: \$7; Youth (7-12) \$3; Children (3-6) \$1; Children under 3 are free. To reserve or cancel, call the church office at 706-724-9641 by 12:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before.

You may also place a reservation form in the offering plate or fill out a supper reservation form online under the programs tab.

Wednesday Programs in October

Sermon on the Mount Bible Study -

with Lindsey Solomon (Adult), Room 126

Faith & Film: *Luther* and discussion on the Reformation (Youth-Adult), 108

Guitar class with Jean (6th Grade-Adult), 206

Homework Help (3rd-12th Grade), Library

M & M Club (Methodists & Missions) (Pre-K - 2nd Grade), 109

(-See flyers or stjohnaugusta.org for more information-)