

JANUARY 2012



CARTERET C O N N E C T I O N

CARTERET STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH | BEAUFORT, SC

A Word of Thanks...

By the time you read this, the days are indeed getting longer but my time in Beaufort is coming to an end. Again, I want to sincerely thank everyone at Carteret Street United Methodist Church for your gifts, cards, love and support. Each of you have touched my life in many different and special ways. Susan Ulmer has been especially influential acting not only as a mentor but perhaps more importantly as a friend.

Sunday, December 18, 2011 was truly a grand celebration of our ministry together. I was overwhelmed by your generous gifts and the heartfelt words that you shared with Russell and me. All of the gifts were special and I will cherish them forever. Every time I put on a Navy uniform I will think of you as your thoughtful gift will help pay for them. I was also excited to open the tool belt and will wear it proudly at future Salkehatchie Summer Service Projects. I will never forget our time together.

I want to say a word of thanks to the Staff Parish Relations Committee and Chis Chisum, chair, for hosting the reception. I extend a special thank you to Pat Foulger for her hard work organizing the reception as well as putting together the slideshow. I also want to thank Priscilla Kimball for her beautiful (and delicious) cake as well as the floral table arrangements. Everything was so well orchestrated and wonderful! My family and friends were welcomed with open arms and were excited to see the relationships that we have formed.

All in all, it was a glorious day to celebrate our life and ministry together. Thank you to everyone! I cannot tell you enough how much you mean to me and how much you have helped me to grow into the person I am today. I pray God's blessings on you as you continue in ministry.

Blessings for the Journey,

Taking Stock

Perhaps there is no better time to "take stock" of things than the days following Christmas. How blessed we have been! During the Advent Season we have experienced numerous opportunities for worship, fellowship and celebration. We have enjoyed beautiful decorations, the warmth of home and family, the laughter of friends and the wonderment of children.

Gifts in abundance have been given and received. Many have been blessed by our generosity and in turn we have experienced the joy of giving. Of course, the greatest blessing has been our pilgrimage with the shepherds and wise men to welcome our Savior. Once again, we have seen how God comes in the most unexpected of places and times.

So what is our response to all the blessings? If we have been touched, if we are truly grateful, then we will offer our lives in faithfulness to follow this same Jesus whose birth we just celebrated.

May this new year bring you true joy as well as opportunities to serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

New Year's Day Worship

January 1, 10:00am Worship
No Sunday School

Usher and Acolyte Training

January 8, 2012, following the 9:00am and 11:00am
worship services. Please call the church office if you
have questions.



Mark Your Calendar

Carteret Street will once again reach out to our community during our 2012 Great Day of Service. Please put March 10, 2012 on your calendar so you can be part of this life and community changing ministry.

Christmas Mission Offering

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Christmas Mission offering this year. As of December 18th we have received \$1,056.33 which will be divided equally between Carteret Street United Methodist Church's Great Day of Service, Rural Mission, Inc. and the UMVIM Costa Rica trip.

UMW Clothing Sale

April 21, 2012

Red Cross Blood Drive
A ROUND OF APPLASE, PLEASE



The American Red Cross Blood Drive on December 2nd was our most successful drive in the past several years. We had 68 people sign in and had **60** good units donated; our goal was 43 units—that's **40% over goal**.

Our thanks to the Lowcountry Rotary who co-sponsored this blood drive (with 15 new donors), the CSUMC United Methodist Women who provided home-baked cookies, and Chick-fil-A, the Chocolate Tree, Pepsi of Beaufort and Publix for their continued support of our blood drive.

Two Carteret Street members (Joan Easty and Ken Davidson) won door prizes in a special drawing.

And a very special thanks to our CSUMC volunteers who provide great hospitality to all of our donors.

The next opportunity to give the "gift of life" at CSUMC will be on Feb 2nd--Groundhog Day. Because of the success of the December blood drive there will be a drawing for four \$25 gift certificates.

Epworth Angel Tree

Thanks to all who took a child's wish from the Christmas tree and brought back their dream. One of the caregivers said this is the only time of the year the children receive such things. So Christmas Day was a special blessing to them.

Thank you for your kindness, caring and generosity. The children are truly grateful.

Sincerely, Suzi Jones

Operation Christmas Child

Thanks to all who helped with the shoe box ministry. This year we assembled over 1900 shoeboxes. People helped in numerous ways by wrapping shoe boxes, purchasing toothpaste, toothbrushes, providing beautiful handmade purses and bracelets, helping with assembly of the boxes, donating money to help defer shipping costs, etc.

Everyone of you were vital in making this ministry a success. Success means many children received a great gift, something most had never seen, but more importantly they will have an opportunity to hear about our Savior Jesus Christ. The shoe boxes will often go to remote areas in the world where missionaries use the education items to teach.

These boxes bring great joy and happiness to the children and hope to their families.

With sincere thanks,
Marcia and Suzi



Food Pantry Sunday

Please remember to bring canned goods and other non-perishable items to the church for HELP of Beaufort each Sunday.

Lay Leadership Training

Carteret Street United Methodist Church is offering a training course titled "Lay Leadership" to members of CSUMC and the other UMCs in the Beaufort Area (Wesley, Port Royal, and Water's Edge). The purpose of the course is to provide instruction and to prepare laity for leadership and positions of increased responsibility within the United Methodist Church.

The course will be held from 6 - 8 PM on 5 consecutive Mondays, beginning Feb 20th. The course will include:

- Introduction to Methodism & The Book of Discipline
- Leading
- Caring
- Communicating Spiritual Growth and The Great Commission

CSUMC will pay the course cost of \$13 for course materials for each CSUMC attendee.

Course enrollment will be limited; please contact the church office to enroll or if you have questions. Enrollment will end on Feb 10th so that course material may be ordered.

The Committee on Christian Nurture

During the November meeting we reviewed the Safe Sanctuary Policy of the United Methodist Church. We would like to remind parents that they need to accompany their children if they leave the sanctuary during services. Thank you for complying with this policy.

Youth Happenings

Grades 6-12

Join us each Sunday evening at UMYF for games, a devotion, supper and an enriching program.

- January 1** No UMYF
January 8 6pm UMYF
January 15 6pm UMYF
January 22 6pm UMYF *Destination Unknown*
January 29 6pm UMYF

UMYF Benediction:

"May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

Wednesday Niters

Dinner will be served from 5:30 pm until 6:00 pm. Followed by a program beginning at 6:15pm. There will be a program for children and a nursery for infants. The cost of the meal: \$3 for 12 and under, \$5 for adults, families not to exceed \$15.

January 4 A Birthday Party for Everyone

January 11 Scavenger Hunts

January 18 Heart Healthy: Dr. Thomas Schultz, DO

January 25 Exploring Self Control

Gray Blades

On January 12th at 12 Noon the Gray Blades will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a covered dish lunch and a program. The program will be presented by Ellen Keith, YMCA water instructor. She will speak about exercise for seniors.

United Methodist Men

We are blessed to have members from our own Boy Scout Troop 1 speak at our January 9 meeting. Two senior boy scouts will give a presentation on this years planned activities, outreach and goals. We will gather between 6 to 6:30, dinner between 6:30 to 7:00 and the presentation from 7:00 to 7:45.

Carteret Street Striders

Join us each Tuesday and Thursday morning at 8am as we strive to "Get Healthy in 2012." Some walk fast, others slower. Some go the distance, others walk a little less. Whatever your pace, please join us beginning January 3, 2012.

Children's Corner

Children's Choir

The children's choir will meet January 8th and 15th for choir practice. Practice will be from 4:30 - 5:30pm in the children's choir room on the 2nd floor.

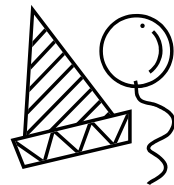
Family Ministry Opportunity

Lowcountry Boil at the home of Courtney and Jack Worrell for all families with children (from birth to 5th grade) 4:30pm on January 29, 2012.

Please let the church office know if you will attend.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Susan Morgan	1	Sierra Carey	18
Lauren Westfall	4	Nick Nickle	19
Sam Bolin	5	Arlene Hull	20
Barry Mason	5	Lottie Phinney	20
Rob Cummins	6	Curtia Benning	21
Arthur Foulger	6	Paula Bellamy	22
Lisa Kessler	6	Kay Crosby	22
Lori Mangano	6	Michael Tims	22
Brenda McLeod	6	Marie Smythe	23
Mark Rennix	6	Anna Lyles	23
Lara Byrd	7	Hazel Stanley	23
Kay Harris	8	Brian Gollihugh	26
Velma Kelley	8	Brentley Wiles	26
Barbara Shepherd	8	Abby Davidson	26
Rachelle Martz	9	Ellen Fabian	27
Kate Birkhead	9	Jimmy Gollihugh	27
Jeremy Cole	9	Shelby Hooper	27
Preston Aivaz	10	Hugh Folk	28
Kyla Gollihugh	10	Franklin Morgan	29
Kiana Carey	10	Earl Pickel	29
Bill Anderson	11	Thomas Fisher	30
Kristin Forbes	11	Karen Roberts	30
EJ McGinnis	12	Annalesa Steele	30
Jimmy Fabian	12	Heather Steele	31
Connie Folk	12	Wyatt Ready	31
Mary Margaret Ackerman	13	Chris Williams	31
Carolyn Clark	13		
Bunny Rock	14		
Nancy Lynn	16		
Laurie Pate	16		
Wally Cole	18		
Makayla Lapp	18		



New Members

Our church family continues to grow as we welcome **Ed Pyles and Becky Koontz** into the membership of our church on December 11, 2011.

Congratulations

Thaddeus James Richardson was born November 28, 2011. He is the son of Esther and Andy Richardson and the grandson of Cynthia and Chuck Chapman.

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Don Meyer and family on the death of his wife, **Lynn Meyer** December 12, 2011 in Beaufort, SC.

The Seekers Book Group

1st Thursday of each month, 11:30am

January 5, 2011

The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

The book for February 2, 2012 is *House of Prayer No. 2* by Mark Richard.

Wednesday Evening Book Club

Our Wednesday evening book club is continuing to meet on the last Wednesday of every month from 6:00 - 7:00pm in the Church Parlor. We will meet January 25th. The book is *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein. If you have questions, please call the church office or Margey Pfeiffer, 525-1761.



Distribution of 2011 Bazaar Funds

Mission Outreach	\$1,900.00
Costa Rica Mission	1,500.00
Tables for Fellowship Hall	500.00
Gray Blades	2,500.00
Handbell Choir	800.00
Boy Scout Troop #1	1,000.00
Shoebox Ministry	1,000.00
Chancel Choir	1,000.00
Friends of Caroline Hospice	1,000.00
Children's Choir	500.00
HELP of Beaufort	500.00
West Street Fund	1,800.00
Organ Fund	3,000.00
Epworth Children's Home	1,500.00
Irrigation System	500.00

TOTAL \$19,000.00

Submitted by Ray James, Treasurer

A SPECIAL THANKS

There were so many who made our Advent Season special and we are deeply grateful to them for giving of their time and talent that we might once again experience the joy of the season.

We express gratitude to our Chancel Choir for the many ways they brought the Gospel through music. They spent untold hours preparing for the Cantata as well as other worship experiences. Our worship services are always enhanced by their presence and we are certainly blessed by the leadership of Kay and Cynthia.

Thank you to those who participated in our services by lighting the Advent Wreath, helping with the Hanging of the Greens service, decorating the sanctuary, providing poinsettias and preparing food for our receptions. And of course, thank you for your support and attendance during this season of Advent.

Weekly	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday Sunday School 10:00am Worship 9:00am 11:00am Children's Choir 4:30pm UMYF 6:00pm	1 10:00am Worship NO Sunday School	2	3 6:30pm Girl Scout Leaders	4	5 11:30am Seekers Book Group	6 9am Altar Guild	7
	8	9 6:15pm UMM	10 6:30pm Girl Scouts 7pm Tennessee Thomas	11	12 12 Noon Gray Blades 5:30pm Transportation Committee	13	14
Monday Carillon Choir 6:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm	15 4:00pm Lydia Nelson McAfee	16 5:30pm Trustees	17 11:30am Susanna Wesley 2:00pm Hope McLeod Foster	18	19	20	21
Wednesday Bible Study 10:00am Wednesday Niter 5:30pm Chancel Choir Practice 7:00pm	22	23 5:30pm Missions Committee	24 6:00pm Christian Nurture Committee 6:30pm Girl Scouts	25 11:30am Ouida Shearouse	26	27	28
	29 4:30pm Lowcountry Boil for families with children	30	31				

Thursday
Carteret Street
Striders
8am
Sandwich
Ministry
4:30pm
Friday
BayView
Devotionals
10:30am

OUR SERVICE

Acolytes:	9am Phebe Martin	Fellowship Moments:	1 Susanna Wesley
	11am Sam Farley Andrew Williams		8 Horton Bible Class
Crucifers:	9am Claire Martin		15 Bob Howell Class
	11am Zoe Farley		22 Life on the Run
Greeters:	9am Brenda McLeod		29 UMYF
	11am Mary Alice Rudisill	Nursery:	8 Jenny Martin
Ushers:	9am Walker DuRant, Claude McLeod, Laurie Martin, Jack Worrell		15 Kay and John Harris
	11am Lottie and Wally Phinney, Kent Easty, Donnie Beer		22 Brenda Harlan
			29 Ellen and Ben Hill

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

- Home:** Sara Graves, Claudia Hoffmeyer, Velma Kelley, Annette Lewis,
Tom Mitchell, John Risch, Helen Rooks, Dan Thompson,
Harriette Woodbury
- Helena House:** Sara Funk
- BayView:** Mary Hazen, Jessie Meetze
- Morningside:** Art Foulger, Joanne Hosek, Ruth Weakly
- Summit Place:** John Ausband, Lillian Erlandsen
- River Oaks:** Cornelia Godsey, Pearl Jodoin
- The Oaks:** Vi and Lee Hundley, Martha Smith
- Anderson Oaks:** Barbara Shepherd
- Savannah Grand:** Mary Jane Matthews

Check it Out!

The Carteret Connection is published monthly and the Sunday bulletin is published weekly on our website. Please check it out at www.carteretstumc.org. Also if you would like to receive your newsletter by email, please call the church office.

Connection Deadline

Please submit information for the February 2012 *Carteret Connection* to the church office by December 16th.

Stewardship Report as of December 18, 2011

Budget Needs Y-T-D	\$562,165.00
Received Y-T-D	\$522,902.12
407 West Street Fund	\$16,883.00

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