

Shore Lines

July 2024



On Sunday September 8, 2024, we will invite the community to our Kickoff Sunday aka Big Rally Day. It will include:

- Tailgate at 8:00 a.m.
- Worship at 9:30 a.m.
- Ministry Preview at 10:30 a.m. (aka Rally Day)

There is a phrase I heard at a ministry conference. It was advice if your church was struggling with participation. "Make it easy. Make it likely." Provide opportunities that were easy for people to attend or achieve and remove every barrier that you can to make participation likely.

Scheduling Kickoff Sunday the week after the beach service concludes and begins at the same time as the Beach service—I estimate—makes it about as easy and likely for local beach service attendees to visit our church.

In my last Shorelines article, I talked about our disposition on Kickoff Sunday, and in this article, I want to detail what we will need to succeed.

Covenant partners can participate by:

- Providing foods for the tailgate
- Representing church ministries
- Maintaining our worship service

First, a tailgate involves food. Some covenant partners can volunteer to bring food to the church, ready to be served at 8:00 a.m. Ideally, we would have cars set up in our parking lot tailgate-style. I am exploring whether that is practical and possible. If you are willing to serve food out of the back of your vehicle, please let me know. That will help us plan.

Second, after the worship service, we want visitors and covenant partners alike to learn about the ministries going on at our church. I believe that biblically based fellowship and godly groups of service grow people in their relationship with God. In other words, we have activities in our church that would be beneficial to all, covenant partners and new visitors alike. Some covenant partners can volunteer to represent our ministries by manning a booth or by being ready to discuss certain ministry opportunities.

Third, in the midst of a tailgate and rally day, we still need to strive for an excellent worship service. All of our normal volunteers can serve in regular capacities in the Sunday morning worship service. You can see why Kickoff Sunday will take all of us.

For Kickoff Sunday to be successful, it will involve all the covenant partners of our congregation. Please consider being a part of Kickoff Sunday in any way, big or small. Feel free to talk to me about it as it comes together. Kickoff Sunday, Sep. 8, will be here before we know it!

With love,
Pastor Dane

Memorial Garden & Columbarium News

July 1, 2024

Our Memorial Garden and Columbarium is located just off the circle between Old Georgetown Road and the education wing of the old building, very near the front entrance. If you did not know this, please take some time to familiarize yourself with it.

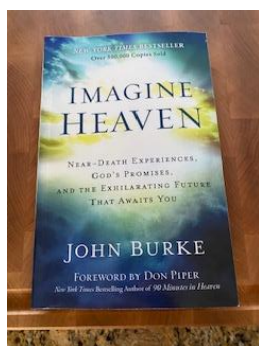
Our current columbarium consists of four consoles each with forty-nine (49) niches. Each niche is for the inurnment of ashes of one person. Of the total 196 niches 112 have been sold which leaves 84 available for sale.

Session recently approved a price increase to \$1,200 per niche for sale to Covenant Partners or \$1,700 per niche for sale to eligible purchasers who are not Covenant Partners. This new pricing is effective July 1, 2024. However, to accommodate those who were not aware of a coming price increase, Session will allow up to 40 niches to be sold to Covenant Partners by August 31 at the old price of \$700 per niche.

Why did Session raise prices? Simply put, the old price was not sufficient to cover all associated costs. First, as part of the contract for a niche, CCPC committed to providing "perpetual care". The cost of perpetual care was not adequately set aside at the old price. Secondly, as part of the contract for a niche, CCPC committed to having each niche faceplate engraved. The old price did not adequately cover the cost of engraving. It should be noted that the old price was set back in 2011 and has not been revised until this year. Since that time costs of everything have risen significantly.

If you are interested in purchasing a niche for yourself or a loved one or have questions about our Memorial Garden and Columbarium, contact the church office at 910-579-7356 or stop by the office.





Imagine Heaven
By John Burke

I picked up this book as the topic was yelling out to me. The more the years go by, the closer heaven is coming. This is a terrific read on a topic where not much is written. John Burke was the pastor of a large Church he and his wife founded in Texas when he wrote this book 9 years ago. He wants us to image heaven through the eyes of peoples near death experiences. He wants us to imagine that God is using technology to allow us to have glimpses of our life to come. John interviewed many of the people he writes about. Some are children, some blind, some believers and some non-believers. He takes everything right back to scripture and what scripture is revealing about heaven. These people are still here on earth through miracles God had his hand in. Many are now believers! The paperback book sells for 7.99 on Amazon. I read it in 24 hours and couldn't put it down. Go ahead and IMAGINE HEAVEN!!

Submitted by Carolyn Robison



I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream!

When you think of hot summer days, think of how good a refreshing bowl of ice cream would be. It's always fun to share it with friends.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
Saturday, July 20th
from 1:00 - 3:00pm.

Your Fellowship Ministry Team is planning an Ice Cream Social on that day. Since the whole congregation doesn't see each other during the summer, we thought this would be a great opportunity to catch up with friends and meet some "new" friends. This is a Community Event, so bring other friends and neighbors! We will have it rain or shine. Watch for more information.

Clink, clink. That's my spoon getting every last bit of ice cream in my bowl.

Submitted by Beth Decima

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Learning to Wait

I'm sure everyone of us has had the difficult experience of praying for something and wondering how long God will take to answer us. We sometimes get impatient when He doesn't answer right away!!

Learning how to wait patiently on the Lord is an acquired skill and an essential one. Waiting develops perseverance and, as Romans 5:3-5 teaches, perseverance leads to character, and character brings hope. If, while waiting, we look to God for wisdom and direction, we will begin to see His work in our life and recognize His goodness.

*Not only does waiting patiently express our trust in and reliance on God; it also helps us develop greater faith. **

Please join us for small group prayer gatherings:

- **Saturday July 6 at 10 AM** (we will pray boldly for America to return to "One Nation Under God".)
- **Thursday July 18 and Aug 15 at 10:30 AM** (we will intercede in earnest for our CPs, our church family, our mission programs, and our community).
- **Drive Thru Prayer Friday July 19 and Aug. 16 from 10:30-noon** (please encourage your family, friends, and neighbors to stop by and allow us to pray with and for them.)
- **Beach Drive Through Prayer is every Tuesday from 9:30-11:00** in July and August. (weather permitting)

If you are in need of prayer or pastoral care, please call the church office at 910 579-7356 or email prayer@calabash.church

Grace and peace,

Prayer Ministry Team

*adapted from Charles Stanley writings

DID YOU KNOW?

There are two brochures and pamphlet resource organizers with lots of information you can take home to read.

One is in the Prayer Room and the other is in the hallway leading to the fellowship hall from the sanctuary.

These resources relate to prayer, becoming a Christian, evangelism brochures, specific prayers for specific events/people/circumstances, etc.
Please look these over and help yourself to anything you need/want.

The Circle of Love

The Circle of Love is a non-denominational prayer group in Ocean Ridge Plantation that came into being approximately 7 years ago after we lost a dear friend here in our community, unexpectedly from cancer.

This hit very close to home for us because my husband was born on the same day, the same year as our friend. While praying for him one evening the Lord placed a dream in my heart which I could not stop thinking about. He showed me a circle of people praying for one another. I discovered that we pray too little for one another. I prayed and asked the Lord what he wanted me to do. He answered that prayer one day in Hobby Lobby when I looked down at a book that seemed to jump off the shelf, called the Circle Maker by Mark Batterson. Mark is an author and pastor of National Comm. Church in Washington, DC. He literally walked circling around Washington and praying for the downtrodden. After much reading and God prompting and guidance, I started the Circle of Love which meets once a month for one hour to pray over people and for one another.

God also guided me to a book on Praying the Word. This is how we started, by passing a basket filled with prayers from the Bible that everyone would take one and read it. We also have a sign in sheet for name and email; and a Prayer Book that we write our name and who we are lifting in prayer, whether for surgeries, cancer, family members that do not know God, people that have lost loved ones, and we pray for them together. After we leave, I email the needs to everyone for prayer. We also have on our email an additional continual prayer list of people that are having on-going treatments for cancer or have long term illnesses. I always have a topic for the day based on the scriptures.

This month the topic is Surrender. We have prayed over people that have cancer and we have seen people come to know the Lord in their hearts because we can all see the light of God shining through them. Our group continues to have praise reports and prayer requests. It is my prayer that other communities will start what Ocean Ridge Plantation has done by coming together in a circle of prayer. Just as the Israelites circled Jericho for seven days this is a moving picture of what drawing prayer circles looks like, God delivered on a four-hundred-year-old promise.

If you keep circling the promise, God will ultimately deliver on it. Ocean Ridge is a very special place where people care for one another, I get emails almost daily that tell me how the prayers have been felt, and how children have been healed, etc. We will continue the Circle of Love in Prayer as long as God hears our prayers!

In Jesus Love, Bet Coffini

Long Term Prayer Requests

Linda Batts, Betty Bond, Sally Bond, Bill Bradham, Sandy Brinegar, Phyllis Foley, Sue Greiner, Karen Grohsmann, Diane Hahn, John Haskins, Al Hertzog, Inge Hickson, Rosemarie Lacroix, Chris Lewis, Peggy Little, Frank Mayberry, Gene McKelvey, Alberta Morley, Betty Schillinger, Gary Sessi, Dan Stinnett, Barbara Weber, Wendy Weber



LOCAL MISSION SPOTLIGHT

BEACH MINISTRY

From the time of its infancy our church has seen the value of a beach ministry as a means to proclaim the gospel message to the many residents and vacationers who have been attracted to our unique beach service. Services are held Easter Sunday and every Sunday from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. Owners of the Sunset Beach Pier have always generously supported our beach ministry with free parking, use of utilities, and advertising. Current owners Gary and Theresa Massey eagerly support the beach ministry. Each service includes a volunteer beach choir, children's message, scripture and sermon, and offering. Proceeds from cash and designated offerings are exclusively used for the support of local mission projects. Over the years thousands of adult and children's Bibles have been distributed free of charge. When the weather cooperates several hundred worshippers attend the weekly service. As many as three thousand have attended the Easter service. Please consider joining us at 8 AM and invite someone! Pray that God continues to bless this vibrant ministry as we serve our neighbors and friends.

GLOBAL MISSION SPOTLIGHT

ST. JUDE AND ST. SIMON EPISCOPAL SCHOOL THE VILLAGE OF DUNY, HAITI

For ten years our church has supported an elementary school in a remote village deep in the mountains of Haiti. This small school can be reached only by four-wheel drive vehicle or on foot. It is an arduous task just to get to the school. All of the staff and students walk a considerable distance to school (as much as six miles). Three preschool classes, and grades one through six have a total of 160 students with ten staff members. Funds from our church and our partner, Cathedral St. Luke Episcopal Church in Portland, Maine provide the funds necessary to pay the salaries of the staff. We have managed over the years to visit our school twice, but because of the pandemic and ongoing political unrest it has now been several years since a visit has been possible. Pray that God would grant us the opportunity to once again safely visit our dear friends in Duny and pray that God will continue to provide the funds necessary to support this important ministry. Without this school most of these children of God would not receive any formal education.



HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY

July

Paul Jensen	1
John LeGoullon	4
Ruth Apalinski	7
Kathy Crowther	7
Janet Keppler	11
Robi Robichaud	12
David Wiggins	14
Rick Ellwanger	15
Dan Stinnett	15
Don Mozingo	16
Jerry Coffey	20
Nita Campbell	21
Dawn Grubb	23
Debbie Ryan	24
Sue Brown	26
Peg Stinnett	26
Diane Chen	27

July

Jim & Nancy Crews	1
Alice & Tom Ditzler	12
David & Lynn Wiggins	16
Scott & Cheryl Harrison	18
Tom & Fran Thomas	20
Paul & Myong Jensen	20
Dan & Cyndi Shaw	27



“JULY”

SCRIPTURE READING PLAN

The book of Proverbs is often referred to as the book of wisdom. It is made up of short sayings or proverbs, about wisdom and about life. Proverbs main purpose is to teach wisdom to the people of God. It differs from other books of the Bible which teach great theological truths, or give prophecies, or records of history. Proverbs focus on instructing people in how to find and follow wisdom and live life with that wisdom. In that regard it is a very practical book.

Read and meditate upon the sample scripture noted each day or read through the entire Book of Proverbs in 31 days

Day 1: Proverbs 1:7	Day 17: Proverbs 17:22
Day 2: Proverbs 2:1,5	Day 18: Proverbs 18:10
Day 3: Proverbs 3:5-6	Day 19: Proverbs 19:23
Day 4: Proverbs 4:23	Day 20: Proverbs 20: 22
Day 5: Proverbs 5:1-2	Day 21: Proverbs 21:3
Day 6: Proverbs 6:16-19	Day 22: Proverbs 22:6
Day 7: Proverbs 7:1-3	Day 23: Proverbs 23:17-18
Day 8: Proverbs 8:10-11	Day 24: Proverbs 24:3-4
Day 9: Proverbs 9:10	Day 25: Proverbs 25:28
Day 10: Proverbs 10:10-11	Day 26: Proverbs 26:4
Day 11: Proverbs 11:2	Day 27: Proverbs 27:17
Day 12: Proverbs 12:15	Day 28: Proverbs 28:5
Day 13: Proverbs 13:3	Day 29: Proverbs 29:7
Day 14: Proverbs 14:27	Day 30: Proverbs 30:5
Day 15: Proverbs 15:1	Day 31: Proverbs 31:30
Day 16: Proverbs 16:9	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	1	2 9am – Crafts 9:30– DTP - Beach 7:00 pm – Men’s WebX	3	4 Office closed	5	6 10:00 am - prayer
7 8:00am –Beach Service 9:30 am – Worship 10:30 am – Sunday School	8 11:00 am – Woman’s Bible study	9 9:30 am – DTP - Beach 7:00 pm – Men’s WebX	10 6:00 pm – Bible Study	11	12 10:30 am – Prayer Ministry	13
14 8:00am –Beach Service 9:30 am – Worship 10:30 am – Sunday School	15	16 9:30 am – DTP - Beach 7:00 pm – Men’s WebX	17 6:00 pm – Bible Study	18 10:30 am – prayer	19 10:30 am – Drive Through Prayer	20
21 Food Pantry Collection 8:00am –Beach Service 9:30 am – Worship 10:30 am – Sunday School	22 12:00 pm - Chatters	23 9:30 am – DTP – Beach 3:00 pm - Session 7:00 pm – Men’s WebX	24 6:00 pm – Bible Study	25 10:00 AM – Card ministry	26	27
28 8:00am –Beach Service 9:30 am – Sanctuary 10:30 am – Sunday School	29	30 9:30 am DTP - Beach 7:00 pm – Men’s WebX	31 6:00 pm – Bible Study	August 1	2	3 10:00 am - prayer
4 8:00am –Beach Service 9:30 am – Worship 10:30 am – Sunday School	5	6 9:30 am – DTP - Beach 7:00 pm – Men’s WebX	7 6:00 pm – Bible Study	4	5	6

Session

Beth Decima, Don Mazingo, Pat Robison, Karen Toutant
Sue Brandon, Barbara Dresser, Darlene Hummer, Brian Johnson
George Brandon, Sue Brown, Tom Pressel, Dan Stinnett

The Diaconate

Barbara Poe, Mark Ryan, Barbara Volinic
Judy Buschmeier, Don Decima, Donna Lee,
Ray Beadnell, Jerry Coffey, Bonnie Lee

CLP-1s

Karen Scheboth
Peg Stinnett
Gloria Wimmer

CLP-2

Annelle Waldron (Leader, Whiteville Community)

Group Leaders Presbyterian Women – Debbie Ryan
Presbyterian Men – Mark Ryan, Dan Stinnett

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