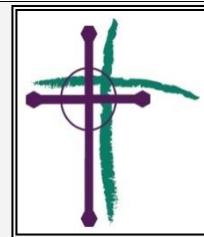


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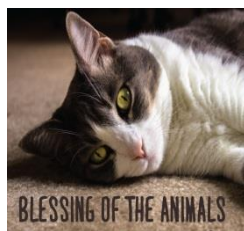
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Plan on joining us following Worship on **October 4th** for a **Congregational Meeting** to elect the new elders for the class of 2018. See page 9 for Elder Nominee Bios and more information.



During the morning service on **Sunday October 4th**, come help us celebrate our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. The Peace Offering will also be collected, which supports a range of ministries devoted to peace making and



The Blessing of the Animals will take place in the Outdoor Worship Center on **October 4th at 4:00 p.m.** Everyone is invited to bring their pets to be blessed. To ensure all companions get along peaceably, please have your pet on a leash or in a secure carrier for the safety of the other animals. Bring your favorite stuffed animal for a blessing too!



"...I was a Stranger and you welcomed Me."

Matthew 25:35

Our next host week for GAIHN begins on **Sunday, October 18th**. It takes a congregation-wide effort to make a host week a success.

There are opportunities to serve this ministry for every member of EPC, from 8 months to 80 years and many hands are needed.

Be on the lookout for the sign-up sheet with volunteer opportunities in the Commons area! If you have any questions about the responsibilities of a host or want to learn more about GAIHN, please contact Mike Moorshead at mikem@rooferssupplyinc.com or Ed Irick at edirick@charter.net.

Pastor's Corner- A Note from Pressley

Dear EPC family and friends-

I think fall is probably my favorite season on the year with the cooler temperatures and the changing colors of the leaves. This is the time of year when we do our best to settle into some sort of a routine. The kids are back in school; children go off to college; church programming has started again; football season is upon us and so much more.

We are once again confronted with decisions to make about what we will do, and what we won't do. Decisions like this, whether we realize it or not, are stewardship decisions. While most of us immediately think about tithing and a pledge cards when the word stewardship is mentioned, I am referring to the stewardship of time, which for many of us is at least as valuable as money.

We have a limited amount of time in each day, and what we decide to do matters. What we decide not to do matters. Where do we give our time and attention?

I challenge you to think carefully this fall about those kinds of decisions, and how they relate to your family, your friends, your work, and certainly the church. God calls us to discernment of how we use the time we are given.

When are we called to set aside time for the inner life – for prayer and worship, for listening to God? When are we called to jump in, get to work, and to serve God by doing things for others?

I encourage you to find a place in addition to worship where you are able to fellowship with others and nurture your faith development. If you are already a part of a group, one that you love and that means something to you, invite someone to join you. If you take five minutes at worship and look around, I bet you'll see someone who would appreciate the invitation.

Grace and Peace-

Pressley

October Worship Schedule

October 4 World Communion Sunday

"Communion Stories"
Hebrews 1: 1-4; 2:5-12

October 11
"Pretty Much Everything"
Mark 10: 17-31

October 18
Two Cents a Meal
"How Would You React?"
Mark 10:35-45

October 25
"A Faithful Happily Ever After"
Job 42: 1-6, 10-17
Mark 10: 46-52

While the earth remains,
seedtime and harvest,
cold and heat,
summer and winter,
day and night,
shall not cease.



GENESIS 8:22, ESV

"We are one family in Christ,
living in community, celebrating our faith,
called, comforted and
challenged by the Word of God,
reaching out to all persons."

Our Vision:

To grow in God, make Christ known and serve with love.

Our Mission:

Worship GOD, GROW IN FAITH, GO AND SERVE

Congregational Joys & Concerns

EPC Members Norton Cater, Jonathan Kraemer, Mike Randall, Winebarger Family.

Homebound/Nursing Home Sylvia Meyer, Emily Phillips

EPC Extended Family

Paul and Susan Burks (*Cathy Parrish's sister and brother-in-law*)
 Eli Chavez (*Anita Harley's cousin's grandson*)
 The Clevenger Family (*Kimberly Lane's cousin's family*)
 Anne Furlong (*Stuart Lane's mother*)
 Susan Harrell (*Lindy Landers' sister*)
 Cindy Herbert (*Beverly George's sister*)
 Danny Kuzminski (*JoAnne Kuzminski's son*)
 Allen Latty (*son-in-law of Jim and Cathy Parrish*)
 Jean McAllister (*Sande Schweir's mother*)
 Ruth Parks (*Ben Cox's Aunt*)
 Sandy Stewart (*Jim Stewart's sister*)
 Mohini Talwar (*Sam Talwar's mother*)
 Joyce (*Bonnie McCourtie's aunt*)
 Michael (*Eileen Osteen's brother*)
 Eli (*Anita Harley's cousin's grandson*)
 Jason (*Diane Hughes son's brother-in-law*)
 Jerry (*Barbara Kurta's brother*)

EPC Friends...

Charlotte Knowles
 (*friend of Sandy Watkins*)
 Mary Hoag
 (*friend of the Lane family*)
 Lindsey Motley
 (*friend of Kimberly Lane*)
 Francine Murphy
 (*friend of Eileen Osteen*)
 Maridel, Cooper and Tucker Shaw
 (*friends of Amy Campbell*)
 Roxanne Waling
 (*Eileen Osteen's friend*)
 Calleigh
 (*friend of Dan Harris & family*)
 Mary Beth and Jim
 (*friends of Beverly George*)

*We always thank
 GOD for all of you
 and continually
 mention you in
 our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

For additions or corrections to the prayer list, please contact
 Network 6:2 Coordinator Syble Drake at 350-7637 or email network62@eastminster.com
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| 2 – Cameron Shetler | 19 – Katie Winebarger |
| 3 – Ann Coleman | Addisen Simpson |
| 5 – Dana Landers | 20 – Carol Stewart |
| 10 – Emily Taylor | 21 – Amanda Ullmann |
| 12 – Ann Broom | 23 – Hans Meyer |
| Mike Ferney | 24 – Leanna Shetler |
| Scott Carlson | 25 – Elizabeth Owens |
| 14 – Bud Torris | 26 – Brayden Blackhurst |
| 15 – Sharon Daugherty | 29 – Cyndi Lichoulas |
| Lindy Landers | 30 – Peggy Lawhorn |
| 16 – Harriet Barnett | 31 – Sam Talwar |



Children's Ministry News

Church Picnic



STEWART FARMS CORN MAZE/COOK OUT ON OCT. 11, 11:45-4 PM

Come join your church family on our annual trip to Stewart Farms in Enoree, SC! Meet at the farm at 1 PM and park near our picnic area at the top of the hill. We'll eat hotdogs and chili, then wander through the corn mazes. Afterwards, we'll meet back at our campfire for s'mores and fellowship. You can also pick out a beautiful pumpkin from their bigger-than-ever patch or shop their country store. \$10 per person (\$40 max/family) includes admission to the corn maze, rental of the picnic area and lunch! Please sign up on the sheet in the Commons by **Oct. 4** to insure we have enough food!! What a great way to enjoy a beautiful fall day!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL IS IN SESSION! Once again, children K-4 through 5th grade will go upstairs for Sunday school class at 10:30 and return to the service during the singing of the second hymn, which is right after the sermon.

We are using the Whirl Lectionary curriculum again this year, with the children reading and discussing the same Scripture as their parents will hear in church. Each child will be given their own bulletin to take home with discussion starters on the back to share with their parents. We hope that families use these questions to further faith conversations at home.



Youth Ministry News

YOUTH SCAROWINDS TRIP!! On **Oct. 16**, all Youth 6th - 12th grade are invited to come along on a trip to SCarowinds! We'll leave the church around 5 PM that day and stop for a bite to eat on the way. Mid-Highs will return to the church right around midnight, and the Sr. Highs will stop for a midnight snack before heading back to church.

Costs:

- 1) \$28.99 Admission Purchased Online (\$53.99 for Admission + "Fright Lane" fast pass to bypass lines)
- 2) Money for light dinner on the way.
- 3) Money for snacks/drinks/souvenirs in the park.
- 4) Sr. Highs: Money for snack on the way home.

Please purchase your tickets online before we go to get into the park faster. Use this link to purchase your tickets: <https://www.carowinds.com/haunt/tickets-offers>

We **MUST** have an accurate head count by **Oct. 11th**, so please **RSVP to lynn@eastminster.com** and let her know you're coming!! If you'd like to chaperone/drive, please contact Lynn as soon as possible.

YOUTH SUNDAY CLASS

The Youth have spoken and we have responded with a class time and topic that fulfills their requests. We will begin a new "Sunday School" time and format for all youth (6th-12th grades) on Sunday, Sept. 20th immediately following church. We will use "Faith Lens," a weekly Bible study that engages youth and young adults in connecting world events with the Bible, faith, and everyday life. - See more at: <http://blogs.elca.org/faithlens/#sthash.gWqeqZVE.dpuf>



Our class will meet the **1st and 3rd Sundays** of every month, upstairs in the Youth Room, **11:45-12:30**. Pressley will lead the class on the first Sunday, and Lynn will lead the 3rd Sunday. Parents are encouraged to attend as "guides" to our conversations. For our first class, please bring a bag lunch. We will discuss families taking turns providing lunch for subsequent classes, so please bring \$2.00 to put into a lunch "kitty." Parents: please support your youth by making it possible for them to attend; we need everybody on board to make the conversations meaningful and awesome!



One of Greenville's longstanding community-wide events, **United Ministries' Transformation Walk** brings together people from all walks of life to raise awareness about poverty in Greenville and those who are in need of a "hand-up" in order to move their lives in a positive direction. Beginning at Fluor Field, participants walk the three mile route that many people take when seeking assistance from valuable service agencies in downtown Greenville who are working to find solutions to poverty.

Join your church family on **Sunday, Oct. 25th** as we walk those three miles to help raise money for those in need. **Register by Oct. 11** on United Ministries' website in order to reserve a tee shirt.

Use this link to register for Eastminster's team:

<https://www.kintera.org/faf/mobile/registration.htm?eventid=1140000&teamid=&teamname=#participant-waiver>

If you can't join us, please prayerfully consider supporting our walkers by making a donation to our team:

<http://www.kintera.org/faf/teams/groupTeamStats.asp?ievent=1140000>

Help us achieve our goal of 25 members and \$500 raised! SUPPORT US ON OCT. 25th!!



The EPC Youth are officially Twitter-ized! Follow us to find out all the latest happenings and to connect with your EPC friends: @EastminsterYouth or search EPC Youth.



News and Notes



SAVE THE DATE FOR FALL FEST/CHILI COOK-OFF!! Fall Fest is Sunday, Nov. 1st, 3-6 PM!! Mark it on your calendar NOW and plan on attending this annual super-fun Eastminster event!! More info will follow.

LAWN GAMES REQUEST FOR FALL FEST: If you have corn hole, bocce, or any other fabulous lawn game, please consider lending it to the church for our

Nov. 1st Fall Fest. We will set these games up for the kids and young-at-heart to enjoy! To lend, please contact Lynn Moorshead: lynn@eastminster.com

UPCOMING EPC STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES In mid-October, the congregation will receive the 2016 stewardship mailing. Sunday, November 15th will be Stewardship Dedication Sunday when the congregation will be asked to return their 2016 stewardship pledge cards.



As summer winds down we begin to shift our focus to the fall and things that we will commit our time to at church. We are in need of additional people to serve as ushers and greeters during our Sunday morning service.

This is an important ministry that requires nothing more than a friendly smile and the willingness to make visitors and members alike feel welcome as they enter our building. Many new members have said that one reason that they decided to return to Eastminster after their initial visit is because of the way they were greeted the first time they attended worship with us.

The time requirement to serve as an usher or greeter is minimal: 30 minutes before the service and 10 – 15 minutes after the service. You can serve as a single person, as a couple or as a family. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Tom or Anita Harley or email Tom at tharley72@yahoo.com. Please consider becoming part of this important ministry.



New Choir Members Welcome: We are looking for individuals who are interested in joining the choir. It could be for only the Christmas Season or throughout the year. The choir sings at the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service on Sunday. Choir practices are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Church. If you have any questions, contact Jim Parrish

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL will continue with the Feasting on the Word curriculum. Join us every Sunday at 9:15 a.m. starting Sunday, September 20th!



GOD'S PANTRY Eastminster has been asked to stock the shelves of this local food bank with **tomato products**. So the next time you are at the store, pick up an extra can of pasta sauce, bottle of ketchup, (plastic or cans - no glass please!), diced tomatoes, tomato puree, tomato soup, etc. to help fill our bin in the commons area!

POPCORN SALES Cub Scouts will be at EPC on Sunday, October 11th, selling popcorn for their annual fundraiser. Be on the lookout!



Small Group Ministry Opportunities

F.U.N. GROUP Attention all those who would like to join the Fifty and Up Network for fellowship on Wednesday, October 7th at 12:00 p.m. at Olympian Grill (7 Five Forks Plaza) on Woodruff Road! Please make reservations by emailing Jane at randjcouch@gmail.com



Ladies' Morning Circle will meet Thursday October 8th at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Elaine Campbell. Elaine and Henrietta Gamble will co-host as we discuss Lesson One in the 2015-2016

Presbyterian Women *Horizons* Bible Study, *Come to the Waters*. Ladies are reminded to bring toiletry items for Place of Hope and a dollar(s) for our Blessing Bag. We meet the second Thursday of each month at 10:00 in each other's homes, and ladies of all ages are invited to join us as we seek to nurture our faith through worship, study, friendship, and outreach. For more information, contact carolirick@charter.net or 962-2492.

Ladies Evening Circle will meet on the 2nd Monday of every month in the church office. Please contact pressley@eastminster.com for more information.

Young Families Discussion Group
Parents join together for fellowship and discussion on the **second Friday of each month**.



Children are welcome! For more information contact Susan Carlson (susantcarlson@gmail.com or 292-8863) or Robb Ellis (robb@ellisdigital.com or 293-6727)

EPC Book Club Everyone is welcome to check out the following schedule and join in the book club! Meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. at EPC. Please contact Shirley Nease if you have any questions at Shirleynease@yahoo.com.

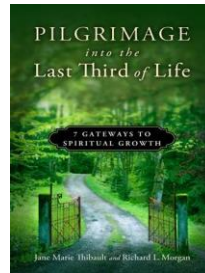


November 23rd – And the Mountain Echoed
by Khaled Hosseini

January 25th – Circling the Sun by Paula McLaine

March 28th – Rosemary the Hidden Kennedy
by Kate Larson

May 23rd – Leaving Time by Jodie Picoult



Pilgrimage into the Last Third Of Life
Do you dread growing old? The last third of life, from age 60 up, doesn't have to be feared or dreaded. When viewed from a Christian perspective, this season of life can be meaningful and joyful. Thibault and Morgan suggest approaching the Last Third as a pilgrimage, a journey full of purpose, ripe with opportunities for spiritual growth.

The authors are aging bookends. Jane, age 65, represents the growing aging of boomers, while Richard, age 83, writes from the perspective of the older old person. The authors dig deeply into the realities of their lives and give you 7 ways to open yourself to God and the abundant life God wants for you. *Facing Aging and Dying, Living with Loss and Limitations, Doing Inner Work, Living In and Out of Community, Praying and Contemplation, Redeeming Suffering and Leaving a Legacy.*

This collection of scripture-based meditations will inspire you or someone you love to move fearlessly into the Last Third, looking forward to the opportunities these bonus years can bring. This study will be led by Diane Hughes, for more information you can contact dhopkinshughes@icloud.com.

Men's Small Group. Are you interested in growing deeper in faith and exploring Scripture? Consider adding this valuable time of study, prayer and fellowship to your week. This group meets on **Tuesday mornings at 7:00 AM** and they are currently studying 1 Peter. Contact Ed Irick or Jerry Calloway if you would like more information at edirick@charter.net or jerry@ceconstructionllc.com



Ladies Out to Lunch (LOL) All ladies are invited to join Pressley and Lynn for lunch once a month. The next date will be on October 27th at 11:30 a.m. Please call/text 864-517-9781 or email pressley@eastminster.com to reserve your seat for lunch!

YOUNG FAMILIES DISCUSSION GROUP Everyone is welcome to join this group on Friday, October 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Feel free to bring a dessert or snack to share.

~ News from the Session ~



- ❖ Session approved the recommendation from Personnel Committee for Annamarie Porco to be employed as Nursery Attendant, effective October 27.
- ❖ There will be a Session Retreat Saturday, October 24, and Session Elders will provide breakfast to our GAIHN families.
- ❖ Ann Coleman has volunteered to be our EPC Representative at the 97th Foothills Presbytery Stated Meeting, November 10, at Limestone Church in Gaffney.

Session

Class of 2015

Barry Campbell
Ann Coleman
Anita Harley
Dan Harris
Cathy Parrish

Class of 2016

Eileen Osteen
Sara Randall
Jim Stewart
John Taylor

Class of 2017

Heath Cobb
Beverly George
Ed Irick
Kimberly Lane

EPC Finances (You need to read this!!)

The finance committee has analyzed the budget for 2015. It is probable that Eastminster will have a significant budget deficit for the year. Some pledges that were made are not being fulfilled.

As the year end approaches, please remember that Eastminster depends on pledges for the



operating budget. It is important to honor pledges made.

For those blessed with the financial resources to do so, prayerfully consider giving more. For those unable to fulfill pledges made, please contact Wanda Grant at pbs@carolina.rr.com so that plans can be made to allocate

available funds.

Elder Nominees



Elaine Campbell Elaine Campbell and her husband Gregg moved to Simpsonville from Houston in 1998, just in time to become charter members of Eastminster. She served a term as elder in EPC's early years and had been a Deacon at Windwood Presbyterian in Houston. Current interests at Eastminster include Adult Education and Personnel Team. As part of the support staff at Rice University's Continuing Studies Language Programs, she met students from around the world and pursued her interest in foreign languages. She found a natural continuation of those interests participating in activities at the International Center of the Upstate after moving here.

Gregg and Elaine have been married 46 years and enjoy travel, including visiting their son, Andy's family in Oakland, California and their daughter Meredith's family in Perth, Australia. They have four, soon to be five, granddaughters. Elaine grew up near Valley Forge, Pennsylvania and graduated from Wilson College, her first introduction to the Presbyterians.

Henrietta Gamble Henrietta was born in Spartanburg, S.C. She has a daughter, Simona Gamble, and a grandson Brandon Gamble in Florence, S.C. She attending Sterling High School in Greenville, earned a B.A. in Music Education from Allen University, as well as a Masters in Administration/Supervision from William Paterson University in Wayne, New Jersey. Henrietta was a teacher/Administrator in Paterson, New Jersey for 41 years and has enjoyed traveling to a number of foreign countries. She relocated to Greenville in 2006 and currently enjoys reading, listening to music, and attending Peace Center events. She became a member of Eastminster in 2007, sang with the choir 6 years, and is currently a member of Ladies' Circle and Adult Sunday school.

Gil Kraemer Gil was born and mainly lived in southeaster Virginia coast until moving to Connecticut after leaving NASA. After twenty years working in a gas turbine company and starting a company, Cristina, Jonathan (15) and Gil relocated to Greer, SC in 2004. He obtained chemistry and engineering degrees at ODU and Yale. Cristina obtained her BS and MS in physiology at UNH. A lifelong Presbyterian, we were fortunate to find the Eastminster family. Cristina is a member and also active at Saint Mary Madeline. Gil is a principle engineer at GE. He enjoys time with the family, hiking, swimming, travel, and reading. This will be his first term on Session but he looks forward to this valuable opportunity.

Cyndi Lichoulas Cyndi was born in London England, the daughter of a career Naval Investigator. She has lived many places, including Virginia, Texas, California, South Carolina, Japan, and Philippines. Cyndi has spent 27 years teaching elementary school children, and is currently a first grade teacher at Mauldin elementary School. She has been married to Ted for 20 years, and has a 17 year old son named Riley. The Lichoulas family has lived in Simpsonville for 16 years, moving here from Charleston after her husband separated from the Navy. Cyndi enjoys exercise and yoga, biking, travel, gardening, and reading. She is also an animal lover, the owner of a Pomeranian named Sophie and an American Eskimo mix named Finn. She is active on Membership, teaches Sunday school, and helps with the youth ministries. She previously attended Shannon Forest Church and Brookwood.

Additional nominees may be made from the floor at the time of the congregational meeting, on October 4th following worship, by any active member of the congregation. Those wishing to nominate someone must have their consent, and the nominee must be present.

Read through the Bible in 2015

Join us in our 2015 EPC Bible reading plan. We will be posting readings in the monthly newsletter. If you follow the suggested daily reading, you will have read the **WHOLE Bible** by the end of 2015!

We recommend getting a journal or writing down observations from your reading. Consider using the **SOAP** method and finding a reading partner to keep you accountable.

SOAP method

Scripture – Read the passages of Scripture.

Observation – Write down what stands out to you.

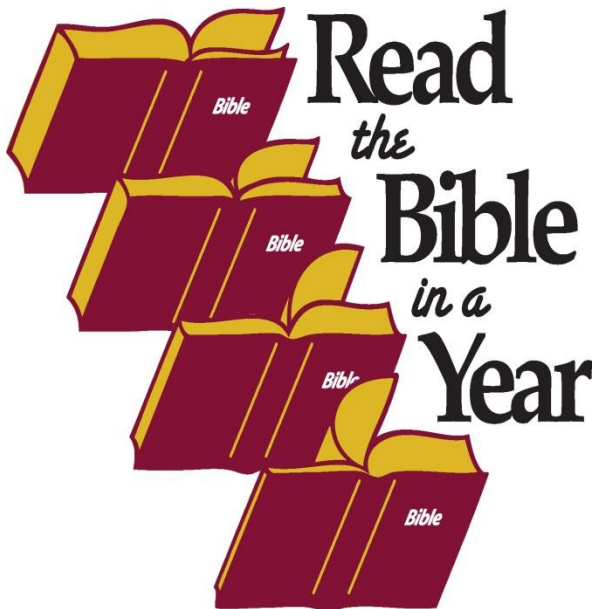
Application – How does this apply to your life?

What is God saying to you through this passage?

Prayer – Pray about what stood out to you from the Scripture and conclude your time by praying through the Lord's Prayer.

Reading Partner

Find a reading partner or group to read with that meets on a regular basis (weekly or bi-weekly) to share what you are learning. We find that those who have a partner are more likely to follow through. Blessings on your year of reading!



Day	Scripture Readings
October 1	Isaiah 61, 62/Hebrews 12
2	Isaiah 63,64/Hebrews 13
3	Isaiah 65,66/John 1
4	Jeremiah 1,2/Psalms 112,113
5	Jeremiah 3,4/John 2
6	Jeremiah 5, 6/John 3
7	Jeremiah 7,8/Psalms 114,115
8	Jeremiah 9,10/John 4
9	Jeremiah 11,12/John 5
10	Jeremiah 13,14/John 6
11	Jeremiah 15,16/Psalm 116
12	Jeremiah 17, 18/John 7
13	Jeremiah 19, 20/John 8
14	Jeremiah 21,22/Psalms 117,118
15	Jeremiah 23,24/John 9
16	Jeremiah 25, 26/John 10
17	Jeremiah 27,28/John 11
18	Jeremiah 29-31/Psalm 119: 1-24
19	Jeremiah 32, 33/John 12
20	Jeremiah 34, 35/John 13
21	Jeremiah 36, 37/Psalm 119:25-48
22	Jeremiah 38,39/John 14
23	Jeremiah 40,41/John 15
24	Jeremiah 42, 43/John 16
25	Jeremiah 44-46/Psalm 119:49-72
26	Jeremiah 47, 48/John 17
27	Jeremiah 49,50/John 18
28	Jeremiah 51, 52/Psalm 119: 73-96
29	Lamentations 1, 2/John 19
30	Lamentations 3-5/John 20
31	Ezekiel 1/1 John 21

F³- Feast, Faith, and Fellowship



5:30-7:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 25
Sunday, November 22

Join us for a new way of growing in faith together on the 4th Sunday of every month.

After sharing a meal, we will have a lesson, perhaps involving a skit, a song or a short video.

Always, we — families, singles, couples, and friends — will learn together.

Be sure to talk to someone who attended the FIRST F3 to find out how much fun was had by ALL

Please sign up in the commons area to help the Faith Formation know how many to expect for dinner. A \$2.00 donation per person is appreciated to help cover the meal.



Become Part of *Our* Church Family

**New Member Lunch on
Sunday, October 18 at 11:30 am**

Eastminster is a growing church family. Our hope is that visitors will explore what it means to serve Christ through this fellowship. We hold occasional informational visitor classes to help you in this process. This is a great opportunity to ask questions you have about our church and the Presbyterian faith in general. Our next class will be held on Sunday, October 18 after worship in Clarke's Kitchen.

At the end of the class, if you believe that God is calling you to this place, you will be invited to meet briefly with the session at a later date to affirm your calling to Eastminster. We have many people who worship with us for years before they decide to "join" the church. These people work and serve faithfully in responsible positions on the same basis as members except that they cannot hold an ordained office (such as elders or deacons) or vote in congregational meetings.

Membership is not required to be an integral part of our church family, but all are welcome!

If you are interested in being a part of the new member class on Sunday, October 18 please contact the church office at 864-284-0190 or admin@eastminster.com

4	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship – World Communion Sunday
	11:45 a.m.	Youth Sunday School
	3-4:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts
	4-5:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	4:00 p.m.	Blessing of the Animals
	4:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
5	7:00 p.m.	Shepherd's Meeting
6	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	6-7:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meeting
	7-8:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
7	9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Angel group
	12:00 p.m.	F.U.N. Group lunch @ Olympian Grill
	6:00 p.m./7:00 p.m.	Handbells / Choir
	6:30-8:00p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7:00 p.m.	Choir
8	10:00 a.m.	Ladies' Circle
9	7:00 p.m.	Young Families Discussion Group
11	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Finance Team Meeting
	12-4:00 p.m.	Corn Maze and Cookout for Children and Youth Families
12	6-9:30 p.m.	Greenville In Harmony
	7:00 p.m.	Ladies' Evening Circle
13	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts Pack Meeting
14	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Angel Group
	6:00 p.m./7:00 p.m.	Handbells / Choir
16	5:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.	Youth Scarowinds Trip
18	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship – Two Cents a Meal
	11:45 a.m.	Youth Sunday School
	11:45 a.m.	New Member Luncheon
	3-4:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts
	4:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
		GAIHN at EPC from 10/18-10/25 / November Newsletter Deadline
19	6:00p-9:30p.m.	Greenville In Harmony
20	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	7-8:00p.m.	Cub Scouts
21	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Angel Group
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Team Meeting
	6:00 p.m./7:00 p.m.	Handbells/Choir
	6:30-8:00p.m.	Cub Scouts
24	7:30 a.m.	Session Breakfast for GAIHN
	9:00a.m.-12:00p.m.	Session Retreat
25	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	1:00-5:00p.m.	Food For Thought
	5:30-7:00 p.m.	F ³ on the 4 th
26	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Greenville In Harmony
27	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	11:30 a.m.	L.O.L.
	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Leadership Committee
28	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Angel group
	6:00 p.m. /7:00 p.m.	Handbells / Choir





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Dear Clerks of Session, Pastors, and Members and Friends of Foothills Presbytery,

After months of careful study and review of the history of operations, the legal issues and the finances of the Buc Outdoor Center (BOC), the Buc Outdoor Center Transitional Board with the approval of Council has come to a determination regarding the operation of Buc Outdoor Center for 2016 and for a ten year plan beyond that.

In past years, the Unified Budget has included a line item for BOC in the amount of \$100,000; however, BOC has operated at a deficit for several years and Presbytery Operating Reserves have been used to cover that deficit in addition to the regular budgeted amount. Most recently in 2014, \$60,700 in Reserve Funds were used for the operating deficit and we project an additional \$51,000+ deficit in 2015 in spite of the best camping attendance in many years and the best cabin rental season ever. Due to the necessity of moving toward a smaller Unified Presbytery Budget and our inability to continue covering operating deficits, we must raise \$220,000 to operate Buc Outdoor Center in 2016. These gifts must be received by October 31, 2015.

Therefore, if you are willing to donate, please send those funds by October 31, 2015. The donated funds will be held in a restricted account. Should the Presbytery receive those funds we will form a Leadership Team to plan for Summer Camp 2016. We encourage churches to donate over and above their commitments to the Unified Giving Budget of Presbytery in order to ensure the continuation of Presbytery's other ministries.

If we do not receive the \$220,000 to operate BOC, we will not have Summer Camp in 2016, cabin and lodge rentals will cease on or about January 15, 2016, and all donations received for the purpose of continuing the Buc Outdoor Center will be returned to the donors.

The Buc Outdoor Center Transitional Board and Council have further concluded that the only viable long-term plan for Buc Outdoor Center is the establishment of a 501(c)(3) eleemosynary entity. In order to form such an entity, to create the necessary permanent Board, to hire the appropriate staff, to deal with long deferred maintenance and improvement, and to have enough money to continue to operate, money needs to be raised to fund a \$3 million Buc Outdoor Center Operating Fund. That amount represents \$300,000 per year for ten years in addition to the \$200,000 per year the Buc Outdoor Center receives in fee revenue to provide an annual operating budget of \$500,000. This amount is required for a safe, quality operation of the facility.

Foothills Presbytery needs to receive actual gifts and certified pledges toward that BOC Operating Fund by July 31, 2016. Again, all funds will be held in a restricted account and if the goal is not met the donations will be returned to the donors. Again, we encourage donations to be over and above commitments to Presbytery's Unified Budget.

The Buc Outdoor Center Transitional Board and Council are quite aware of the difficulty of this situation but as we are called to be good stewards of the gifts God's people freely give, we are confident that these decisions reflect that good stewardship.

We ask that you please make your congregations aware of this request.

Approved by Foothills Presbytery Council.



Amos Workman
Moderator

Buc Outdoor Center 2016 - Ways to Donate:

- Make checks* payable to :

Foothills Presbytery
2242 Woodruff Road
Simpsonville, South Carolina 29681
Marked for Buc 2016 Fundraiser

- Go to www.bucoutdoorcenter.org and click on the  button. Choose from the drop down menu, BOC Fundraiser.

If you prefer to pay by phone, you can also contact Warren Templeton or LeAnne White at 864-288-5774.

There will be two forums across Presbytery for people to engage in conversation around the options for the short-term and long-term future of the Buc Outdoor Center.

October 18th Central Presbyterian Church, Anderson 3-4.30pm
October 25th First Presbyterian Church, Greer 3-4.30pm



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With gratitude,
Robert E. Cashion Elementary School

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Men's Barbershop Chorus

Fine Arts Center
150 E. Main Street
Duncan, SC

October 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

For tickets and information contact Jim Foote 864.399.6584 or jefoot@hotmail.com



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Newsletter Information

October 14 - Deadline for October mid-month newsletter

October 18 - Deadline for November newsletter

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