

**Are you a Saturday Saint?** The need is great for some folks wishing to help their neighbor with small home repairs. We are partnering with Red Cedar School to help repair steps, firm up hand rails, etc. for folks in their school district. Expect more information in the near future. Please think about how you may assist with this endeavor. Thank you. The Mission Ministry. Interested? Contact Bonnie Borgelt 419-265-4723.

**On June 2, at Bluffton Boundary Cultural Arts Center**, next door to and affiliated with Campbell Chapel AME, the students of Masterful Living will be hosting a paint-by-number community mural celebration to honor survivors of domestic violence. The community is invited to paint the design. The day will include food, music, and activities for kids. Domestic violence is often a stigmatized and misunderstood issue. Through this mural the group intends to amplify the voices of survivors, honor their strength and generate conversation and solidarity in the community. 21 Boundary St., Bluffton, from 9am to 6pm.

**Monthly Financial Summary**

For:	April		Y-T-D	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Total Receipts	48,138	49,747	188,778	190,784
Total Expenses	46,643	47,627	163,730	176,848
Net	1,495	2,120	25,048	13,936

Average Weekly Attendance During : April 293

**Sermon Notes:**

**A Friend Who Will Listen**

Did you ever talk to someone but feel as if that person just wasn't listening? Stephen Ministers are trained to listen well. They will hear what you have to share and respond lovingly and non-judgmentally—rather than telling you what you should or shouldn't have done. If you need someone who will really listen to you as you work through a problem in your life, consider Stephen Ministry. Call Al Couper (843-290-4391) or Dee Lehr (843-816-6775).



Proverbs 119:15-16

*I love those who love Me, those who seek Me diligently will find Me.*

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**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship Services: 8:30am and 10:30am

Children's Church: 10:50am

Communion: First Sunday of the Month

Christian Education Classes 9:35am in the Fellowship Hall

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Office Hours: Mon-Thu: 8:30am - 4:00pm,

Fridays: 8:30am - noon

**The Session**

**Class of 2018**

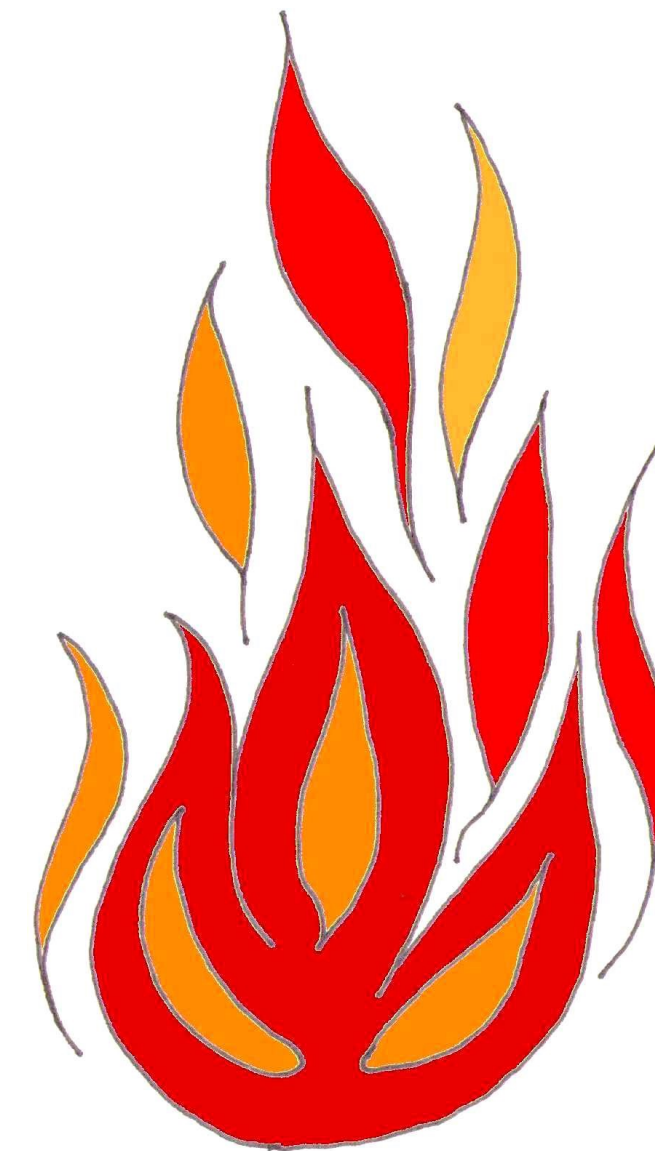
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**Lowcountry Presbyterian Church**

*Surrounded by God's grace, we are a family of faith joined together through Christ, offering meaning and hope to all by the way we worship, serve and live.*

**10 Simmonsville Road  
Bluffton, SC 29910**

**Pentecost Sunday, May 20, 2018**

## CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Pentecost Sunday, May 20, 2018 ~ 10:30am

### Silent Prayer

Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us in the language of our hearts, that we may hear your Voice with understanding and answer your call with confidence. Amen.

**Prelude** *Veni Creator Spiritus* L. Larson

### Welcome and Announcements

**Introit** *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

**Call to Worship** Larry Tremiere

Leader: The Spirit is in our midst.

**People:** The Spirit is in our hearts.

Leader: The Spirit calls.

**People:** The Spirit challenges.

Leader: Trust in the Holy One, for the Spirit brings life.

**People:** Our hearts are open wide; our trust is true

\*Hymn #686 *God of Our Life*

### \*Invocation

### Unison Prayer of Confession

**With new life all about us, O God, we still cling to old ways. In spite of your promises we seek self-assurance. You send the Holy Spirit to enliven our existence, but we prefer the predictable. We admit our resistance to the Spirit. We acknowledge our misuse of gifts you grant to us. Forgive us and draw us back to a right relationship with you, so that we may share your forgiveness with the world and trust the leading of your Spirit. Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon

**Response** Hymn #286

*“Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.”*

\*Affirmation of Faith Excerpt from a Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

\*Gloria Patri # 581

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

### Prayers of the People

**Response:** “Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us.  
Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us.”

(Third time add) “Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us.  
Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us.”

### Singing of the Lord’s Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings and Change Can Make a Change

**Offertory** *What A Privilege It Is* Dan Wittemore  
Dale Nordby, soloist

### \*Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### \*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #408 *There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

### Children’s Church

(Children age 4 — 6th grade may leave for children’s education.)

**Anthem** *Serenity Prayer* arr. Mark Hayes  
God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,  
Courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

**Scripture Reading** John 15:26-27 (pg. 104)  
Acts 2:1-21 (pg. 111)  
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**People:** Thanks be to God!

**Sermon** “A Presbyterian Amen” Rev. Chris Herrin

\*Hymn #291 *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

### \*Benediction

\*Benediction Response *Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace*

\*Postlude *Flourish for an Occasion* N. Rawsthorne

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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**Welcome to all who worship today.** All visitors are welcome to LPC, where we seek to love and serve Christ with all that we are and in all that we do. Please sign the friendship pad in your pew or use the visitor card in the pew rack. After worship please join us for coffee in the Narthex.

**Our normal 8:30am and 10:30am worship services will resume next Sunday.**

**We welcome Children.** Nursery care during worship is provided in the nursery. Following the Children’s Moment, children 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed to Children’s church. Sunday School for those in the 3rd through 6th grade meets in the office. **Today is the last day for the 3-6th grade class. Children’s Church for ages 4—2nd grade will conclude on May 27th. Classes will resume again on September 9th. We hope to see the children at Vacation Bible School - August 6th-10th.**

**The Session has called a congregational meeting following the service today** for the purpose of hearing the report of the Elder Nominating Committee to elect Chuck Thomas, President of the Corporation, to elect Anne Redlus and Kevin Aylmer to serve on the 2018 ENC and to hear the report and recommendation of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee to elect an Associate Pastor.

**Thank you to Ronda Adamson for the Pentecost scarf for the cross.**

*Please remember with your prayers:*

Frank Branda Kathryn Dewane Berenice Fedder  
Marian Thomas Julie Williams

*The flowers today are to the Glory of God, given by  
Bob and Judy Lowry in honor of their 19th wedding anniversary.*

### *This Week, May 20—27*

**Sunday** 10:30 AM — Worship Service  
10:50 AM — Children’s Church and class  
11:35 AM — Congregational Meeting

**Monday** 7:00 PM — Session Meeting

**Tuesday** 10:00 AM — Women’s Bible Study, FH

**Wednesday** 9:30 AM — Men’s Bible Study, FH  
5:30 PM — Small Group, P

**Thursday** 7:00 PM — Choir Practice, S

**Sunday** 8:30 AM — Worship Service  
9:35 AM — Christian Education Class, FH  
10:30 AM — Worship Service  
10:50 AM — Children’s Church

**Change Can Make a Change offering for May** will be for the GED program. Volunteers at LPC offer a GED Course once a year to ready adult students to take the GED exams. Funds raised cover all supplies and testing fees for each student, \$250 each. LPC has helped 34 people get their GEDs, making a tremendous difference in their lives.

**Congratulations to our college graduates, Katherine and Sarah Bleile.** Katherine graduated from Ohio Wesleyan with a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration Management and Sarah graduated from Presbyterian College with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a Concentrate in Management.

**Working Women’s Dinner at Truffles.** Please join us on Tuesday, May 22nd at 6 pm at Truffles Café in the Belfair Towne Village. If you can attend, contact Cristi Rozea at 817-832-9592 or email: [cristirozea@eaton.com](mailto:cristirozea@eaton.com) so she can reserve a table. Rev. Herrin will be joining us. Come get to know other members at LPC.

**New Members will be received into Membership during the 10:30am service on Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**Mentors Needed!** It is an important role to welcome and help new members as they begin their journey with us. As a mentor you would be assigned a new couple or individual to help them meet other members and encourage them to become involved. Please contact Donna Reese at 843-815-2385 if you are willing to help.

**June 6th! - Movie and Food Night!** Racism – real and perceived – is a “Front Page” item in the news and in politics. Christians are called to confront this issue. Scripture tells us, “There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus” (Galatians 3:28 NIV).. The hymn we love to sing – *Amazing Grace* – is at the heart of the story of how Great Britain abolished the slave trade well before our “Civil War.” It is an “amazing” and inspiring movie. Sign-up in the Narthex. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert. (Donations accepted to cover the cost of pizza.)

**Join us for cake to celebrate the birthday of the church** compliments of our Worship Team following the Congregational meeting.