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Weekly Newsletter of New Beginnings UMC

August 23, 2020

This Week's Activities

Sunday 8/23

8:30a Traditional Worship
11:00a Contemporary Worship

Monday 8/24

8:00a Church office open until 4pm
6:30p Scouts BSA Pack 413
7:00p Couples Class Meeting Group

Tuesday 8/25

8:00a Church office open until 4pm
10:00a Staff Meeting
6:00p Live-It Sunday School Class
7:00p Scout Troop 413

Wednesday 8/26

8:00a Church Office open until 4pm
6:30p Servant Stitches
7:00p Brothers in Christ Men's Group 2
7:00p Brothers in Christ Men's Group 3

Thursday 8/27

8:00a Church Office is open until 4pm
8:00a Morning Prayer Group
9:30a Ladies Bible Study
6:00p Praise Band Practice

Friday 8/28

8:00a Church Office closed

Sunday 8/30

8:30a Traditional Worship
11:00a Contemporary Worship

God is on a mission

God is on a mission. God has a plan. We may screw it up, but God works through it all. God calls a people and chooses them. They are disobedient, and God saves them anyway. They are taken captive and once again freed. God gives the law, a blessing not a burden, and knows it will ultimately not be obeyed. God sends judges and prophets. God sends the Christ, the rock of salvation, hewn from God's own chosen people. They reject Jesus; and this, even this, God uses so that Gentiles may be grafted into the plan of God for salvation. God has a purpose and a plan. God is in-control. Throughout our series "Broken: Good News for Tough Times," we have journeyed through some of Paul's most poignant words from his letter to the Church at Rome. We've seen how God repairs the brokenness in our own souls the grace and unwavering, inseparable love. We've seen how God overcomes the brokenness in human relations, uniting us in Christ as chosen, beloved children. God's plan is restoration and wholeness for all creation. Paul trusts in this as he sorts through the frustrating divisions between Jews and Gentiles, the law and God's grace, and waxes poetic about spirit and flesh, labor pains, height and depth, and chosen-ness.

In Paul's way of thinking, the rebellion of all creation is used or even purposed by God so that God might show mercy to all. God uses the salvation of the Gentiles to inspire jealousy in the hearts of the chosen ones, Paul says. See the mercy of our God and how it extends to all people? Even this is part of God's plan.

It can be difficult to talk about God's plan or God being in control, because we still see so much brokenness in our world and in our lives. If God is in control, why do people kill one another in the streets? Why do some have more than enough, while others languish in poverty? Why do I lose the ones I love, and why does there seem to be no end to my grief?

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These are some of life's unanswerable questions, but despite all that remains broken, we can trust that God is still on a mission, working all things for good. For healing – For restoration. And this is grace. Though the ways of God are mysterious and though the arc of history often bends in ways that seem to defy God's goodness, God's purpose is mercy and God's method is grace.

We are invited to participate with God in the mission and ministry of restoration, working with God to heal the broken places. How, then, do we respond with our lives? May we continue to discern ways that we can as a community of faith and as individuals in mission in our everyday lives join God in the mission of restoring and reconciling the world. May we find ways to share the love and grace we have been given. May the world see Jesus through our loving witness.
Good news:

God's gifts and calling cannot be taken back. Once you were disobedient to God, but now you have mercy because they were disobedient. In the same way, they have also been disobedient because of the mercy that you have received, so now they can receive mercy too. God has locked up all people in disobedience, in order to have mercy on all of them. ~ Romans 11:29-32

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Christopher

Job Openings at NBUMC

We have several ministry positions currently open here at NBUMC. Please feel free to share this info with others.

Accompanist:

This is a part-time (9 hour/wk.) position for a piano accompanist for the Traditional and Contemporary Sunday worship services.

Director of Music Ministries:

This is a part-time (15 hour/wk.) position. This person will direct the Traditional choir and will provide overall direction for all music ministries at NBUMC.

Director of Student Ministries:

This is a part-time (30 hour/wk.) position. This person will minister to the spiritual needs of youth from 7th grade through graduated seniors attending NBUMC and reaching out to those in the community.

For complete job descriptions and how to apply, please visit our website:

<https://www.newbeginningsumc.org/employment-opportunities/>



During this time of uncertainty, children need the gift of hope.

Gift of Hope

Mother's Day Offering • Work Day Offering
www.epworthchildrenshome.org/give

Epworth Work Day Offering

Sunday, September 13th

EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY!

Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? What about when a mother is struggling with addiction and is neglecting her children? Currently, over 80 children call Epworth home. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 124 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 13th, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org or find them on Facebook.

Sunday Attendance Taking

As you come in one of our three entrances, you will be welcomed by a greeter who is taking attendance. They may recognize you, but not know your name. Please help them out by giving them your name as you come in the building. We are keeping a record of attendance at each service in case a COVID-19 notice is necessary.

KidLink

3K– 4th Grade



NB YOUTH

5-12th Grade

Sunday School / KidLink AM

Sunday at 8:00am

While we can't meet in person, Mrs. Sarah provides Sunday School / KidLink AM Worship materials each week by email. You can use these at home or on your tablet during Sunday Worship. If you are not on her mail list, please contact Sarah.

Daily Devotions for Families

Each week Monday—Friday

Mrs. Sarah provides a daily devotion for our KidLink friends! This video series provides a brief devotion delivered via email for viewing when it works best for your family. If you want to join in, just contact Sarah.

KidLink Newsletter

Mrs. Sarah puts out a weekly newsletter to connect parents with Sunday school lessons and ways to stay involved. It is also full of ideas and resources for parents, grandparents and caregivers to do with the kids. If you would like to be included, please email Sarah.

KidLink has a Facebook Page!

Take a minute to visit and "like" their page

[New Beginnings UMC KidLink.](#)

**Just a reminder that the KidLink Facebook page is a public page and if you would like to participate with out posting to Facebook you can email your video to Sarah Pruitt at childrens@newbeginningsumc.org.*

Back to School Youth Pool Party!

Saturday, August 22nd 11:30am-2:30pm

2405 Sandy Ford Road, Chesnee

We are having one last Summer celebration for all Youth 6th grade and up! We'll supply the pizza, and we ask you to bring a soft drink or dessert to share. Bring your swimsuit, towel and mask too. Pastor Greene will be there to provide a devotion for us. For more information, contact Ken Walter at 864-590-1310.

Daily Devotions for Youth

Our team recently started a daily devotion and encouragement thread for NBUMC students using the app GroupME. If your NBUMC student would like to participate but did not receive the invitation to join GroupME, please email Sarah Pruitt at childrens@newbeginningsumc.org and we will add them to the list.

For more information on any Children's Events,
Contact Sarah Pruitt at

childrens@newbeginningsumc.org



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Contact Sarah Pruitt at

at childrens@newbeginningsumc.org



One can CAN make a difference.

As you are grocery shopping this week, pick up an extra can of food for the food pantry and drop it off in the cart in the back of the sanctuary. Your donation will make a difference!

[All donations for August go to
Upstate Family Resources](#)

Current Food Pantry Needs:

Canned meats Canned soups, Canned beans, Canned vegetables except corn and green beans, Dry beans, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Flour, Sugar, Oil Mac and Cheese, Tooth brushes adult & children's sizes, Bar Soap, Hand dishwashing liquid, Laundry pods, Deodorant/antiperspirant, Basic cleaning supplies such as baking soda, white vinegar & bleach

Please note that we can not accept the following items for the pantry:

- Expired food
- Homemade canned food
- Open food packages
- Punctured, bulging or seriously damaged canned goods

Welcome back to church!

Please take a moment to review guidelines in place for your comfort and safety.

Servants 8/23/20

Ushers

8:30

Cathy Blair
Steve Byerly
Rosemary Byerly

11:00

Lysa Sands
Alan Sands
Jane Wofford

Offering Steward

8:30 Jane Wofford

11:00 Melissa Lawson

Security/Medical Team

8:00-Noon

Phil Easler Wayne Kyle Mark Phillips

August 16, 2020

Our Presence

Traditional	45
Contemporary	91
Sunday Total	136

Our Gifts

YTD Actual

Income	\$311,484.40
Expense	\$241,187.47
Last week's giving	\$4,323.00

As you arrive: Three entrance doors will be open. The front, back and office hallway doors. Hand sanitizer is available. Please maintain 6 feet of separation from anyone other than household members.

Attendance Taking: As you come into the building, you will be welcomed by a greeter who is taking attendance. They may recognize you, but not know your name. Please help them out by giving them your name as you come in the building. We are keeping a record of attendance at each service in case of a COVID-19 notice is necessary.

Masks/Face coverings: Masks or coverings are REQUIRED at the 8:30 service and OPTIONAL but requested at the 11:00 service. Please bring your own if you have one. There will be a small supply at available at each entrance.

Bulletins: To avoid contact, paper bulletins will not be handed out. For upcoming activities, please check this newsletter, the church calendar on the website and social media.

Coffee: The coffee bar will not be available at this time, But please feel free to bring your own. Remember to take your cups and belongings when you leave.

Singing: Because of the distance germs can spread during singing, neither service will include singing. Hymnals have been removed for the time being.

Offering: To avoid contact, we will not be passing the offering plates. Baskets and envelopes will be available at each exit to place your offering.

Communion: Until it is deemed safe, we will not be sharing communion the first Sunday of the month.

Prayer Requests: Since the communication cards will not be available, please submit your prayer requests to prayerlist.nbumc@gmail.com or call the church office.

Sunday School: Because of the room capacities and inability to social distance, ALL Sunday School classes are suspended until further notice.

KidLink AM / Nursery: Children's/Student ministries will continue with online platforms and will not meet on campus at this time. Both services are "family friendly" and children of all ages are encouraged to attend worship.

Playground: The playground is open under parental supervision only.

Small Groups under 10: You ARE allowed to meet in Room 6/7, KidLink Main, Sanctuary or Picnic shelter. You must reserve your space with Lisa Diestler in the church office - communications@newbeginningumc.org.

Cleaning of common touch surfaces will take place before, between and after services by our cleaning company.

Ways to Give

- Place an offering in the collection plate on Sunday. This can be a check, money order or cash.
- Send a check or money order in the mail.
- Give online through the church website: www.newbeginningsumc.org. Click on the "Give" tab and register to donate online.
- Set up "New Beginnings UMC" as a bill pay at your local bank.
- Give by text on your cell phone. Funds can be donated from your bank account or credit card. Text **864-952-0918** and follow the prompts to send your donation.

Sunday School

Live It Class

Study of the Book of Genesis

Leader: Wes Craven

Tuesdays at 6:00pm Picnic Shelter

During this first phase of reopening, all indoor Sunday School classes have been suspended until it has been deemed safe to resume.

Scheduled Meetings

Missions

Tuesday, September 1st at 6:30pm Room 1

Contact Kristina Kyle at 864-497-0858.

Nominations

Tuesday, September 1st at 6:30pm Room 6/7

Contact Pastor Christopher at 864-599-1303.

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Monday – Thursday Closed Friday



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twitter.com/NBUMC

Prayer Requests

To submit a prayer request:

- Email to prayerlist.nbumc@gmail.com
- Write them on the Sunday Bulletin Communication Card.
- Visit the Prayer tab on our website.

If want to pray for concerns please send an e-mail to:
prayerlist.nbumc@gmail.com to be added to the list.

Congregational Care

- **Congregational Care Information:**
Sue Miller jimmysue81@hotmail.com 864-590-2651
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For congratulatory, illness or death.
- **For Meals:** due to illness, surgery or accident or funeral services.
Sue Miller jimmysue81@hotmail.com 864-590-2651
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Prayer shawls for anyone who is seriously ill or going through a serious life challenge.
Jane Wofford woffordjane@gmail.com 864-494-1176
- **Stephen Ministry:** Christian care for those experiencing a life challenge or crisis.
Rev. Dr. Christopher Greene pastor@newbeginningsumc.org
864-599-1303

Registration for Child Care

(note: Child care suspended until further notice)

Child care is available free of charge for all church ministry meetings and church -sponsored events (unless indicated). No reservations are needed for worship services.

Reservations required 48 hours in advance.

- Complete the Child Care request on the Sunday Bulletin Communication Card.
- Visit the Nursery tab and register on the church website.

Church Calendar

The official church event calendar is on our website.

Contact Lisa Diestler at communications@newbeginningsumc.org.

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