



NEWS FROM FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)

June 2 2022

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Pastor Irene, Ida, Paulette, Natalie and family, Kimberly Carson, John M Carson, Earnestine Goggans, Anne and Andy Roman, Lauree, Laura Kraft, Brenda, Patty Wilson, Susan Poster Ullmann, Janet Morris, Pitza and Murray Steller, Joyce, Matt Chane, Dorothea Moyd, Ella Shakibatabar, Chuck Spearman, Alyssa McDonal, Louann McDonal Austin and Sharon Moede, Karen Porter, for those impacted by gun violence and for the Ukraine.

CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR:

Wanda Doleshall, Elsie Smith, Eliza Husser Cave, Millie Clarke, Paul & Pam Owen, Dan McAvoy, Kenneth Chatto, Linda Cheadle, Susan Poster Ullmann, Martha Albritton, Carol Kettel, Connie Moomjy, Robin Brooks, Sabrina, Dr. Walter Allen, Connie Santee, our Regional Church, those in public service, military service for our Country and all victims of the corona virus.

Pastor's Note:

Last month, I used the newsletter to write you a letter about my upcoming bone marrow transplant that was to happen in May. A month later, I am still at home waiting, and it is time for the newsletter again. I am learning important lessons about patience, control and the interdependency that is so much a part of our life. Sunday, I worshiped with you on Facebook and watched as the interdependency of the congregation showed forth as you had a beautiful lay-led worship service. I was both proud and deeply aware of how much I miss you already. I was also keenly aware that we are all on a journey – as individuals and as a congregation – with a different path in front of us. And even tho it sometimes feels like we are in it alone, we are really not. I have found great comfort and inspiration lately in the words of Hebrews 12: 1-2a, “*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.*” You are a strong congregation – let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us – remembering to fix our eyes on Jesus!

Mailing address for Pastor Irene while in hospital:

name/room number
MUSC/Ashley River Tower 7West
P.O. Box 250316
Charleston, SC 29425

Mailing address after June 26:

8 Kracke Street Apartment A
Charleston, SC 29043



JOURNEY OF A 1,000 STEPS

Congratulations to Emma Grace Maroni on her high school graduation. And a warm farewell to Natalie Lawrence and travel mercies for her journey to the Island of Cyprus.

DWF

April- Boys and Girl's Club

May- Annual Ladies Tea, May 7th 2 to 4 pm and Christ Central

June- Fathers' Day gifts and Dessert Auction

(\$ from Auction goes to Habitat for Humanity)

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

JUNE 5, 2022

On Sunday, June 5, 2022, we will be collecting the Disciple Mission Fund's Pentecost Offering. The theme for this offering is "Turning Struggle into Steadfastness." This Pentecost Offering "supports Disciples new church development. Planning, nurturing and sustaining new congregation is part of the Disciples' vision...Gifts for this offering are divided equally between the region in which they're given and the New Church Ministry."

Please prayerfully consider your participation in this offering. Thank you.

REGIONAL EVENT

To show how much the South Carolina Region loves, appreciates, and misses you, we have planned a Regional Family Fun Day. This day will be filled with Faith, Family, Fellowship, Food and FUN! Here is what we need from you. You must **REGISTER** on or before July 1, 2022. Come and enjoy a fun-filled day we have set up just for you. All ages are welcome!

This event will take place on July 16, 2022, 10am -1pm at Colleton Park, 280 Recreation Ln, Walterboro, SC 29488. There is no fee for this event, however, T-shirts will be available for purchase. If you desire to order a T-shirt, please send size(s) and amount due by June 16, 2022.

We thank God for you and your ministry. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Please know that we recommend wearing your mask and we will have sanitation stations set up to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Planning Committee:Rev. Jemal Cobb, Elder Gwen Walker, Elder Mary Reese and Sis. Meka Pryor

WORD OF THANKS

Buzzy for the mulch in the garden
Caroline for all her hard work on the parking lot
The DWF for the Ladies Tea
Scott for repairing the ramp
June for extra work as Worship chair
Charlotte for bringing oil from Israel
Caroline for the cake, tea, lemonade, plates and napkins
Paul for Carry In
Paulette for inscribing the Bible beautifully
Elders for filling in

OUR ACTS DONATION FOR June is: Canned Tuna

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 4 DWF 11:00 am Fellowship
June 5 Pentecost Offering
June 14 Board Meeting 6:00 pm Fellowship
June 18 Trash and Treasure 9:00 am Classroom 3
June 19: Picnic, Dessert Auction, Father's Day

VISITING PASTOR SCHEDULE

June 5 Dr. Rev. Karen J Diefendorf
June 12 Dr. Rev. Karen J Diefendorf
June 19 Dr. Rev. Karen J Diefendorf
June 26 Chaplain Sam Boone

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