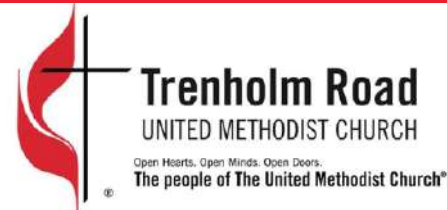




JANUARY 2023
FEBRUARY 2023

The Connection

Monthly publication of the Trenholm Road United Methodist Church



8:45am - Traditional Worship
9:45am - Sunday School
11:00am - Traditional Worship



PASTOR'S ARTICLE

The Connection



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church®

Once I heard my call into ministry, my next question (after “God, are you sure?”) was, “which denomination?” I was raised in the United Methodist Church, but I spent time exploring the doctrine and polity of numerous protestant denominations. I discovered that I loved our Wesleyan heritage, that I agreed with our theology, and that our Church has a gift and a strength that some lack – our connection.

Because of our connection, churches do not fear being without a pastor. There are processes and standards in place for ordination. Our bishop, currently Bishop Holston, and the district superintendents make sure that pastoral leadership is provided through the process of appointments. In times of pastoral change, other churches can search for months (or longer) for new leadership. United Methodist pastors move on the same day.

Because of our connection, our churches are able to do more than we could ever do on our own. We can respond to disasters in Puerto Rico (Hurricane Ian), Florida (Hurricane Nicole), Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi (tornadoes) while simultaneously reaching distant shores to provide assistance and relief. Each congregation does what we are able to support this mission of the UMC based on the money we spend in ministry at the local church. The name for our missional giving through the United Methodist Church is apportionments.

Because of our connection, apportionments are not a tax or a bill. Apportionments are more like a tithe of the local church to the greater mission of Jesus Christ throughout the world. Yes, when we give to mission, money does leave the local church – just like Jesus called us to go into all the world baptizing and teaching. We are able to reach beyond our walls.

Because of our connection in missional giving, we send missionaries throughout the world, fight poverty, engage in ministry with the poor, build new churches, and prepare clergy and lay leaders for ministry. Because of our connection, we support those in Methodist residence homes, disciple college students through campus ministry, educate people through our SC Methodist colleges, challenge and transform youth at summer camp, and train and equip people throughout the state for ministry. I could go on and on because our connection extends throughout the world touching millions of lives.

Because of our connection, we are reminded that the church exists for the sake of those who are not members. We are challenged to care for the least, the last, and the lost. We are called to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world. We are invited to a life of discipleship.

I thank God for our connection, and the opportunities for ministry it provides for us to be faithful throughout the world.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor James

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Paula Wilson, Pauline Wheat, Beth Leaptrott, Pam Prim
Amy Eubanks, Jan Fary, Dave Fary, Jack Hollis, John Bolin, Pat Bolin,
Tiffany Helms, Sharon Lentz, David Kinard, Glenna Kinard, Carol
Parrish, Jess Torres, Myra Torres,
Celeste Cobb, Suzanne Wise, Debby Joyner, Angela English
Stella Wilkins, Nancy Howarth, (grandmother of Nathan Cox)
Robbie Bowers, Art Baker, Vernon Bowen and Carol Mosser

We extend Christian sympathy to the following:

Dave Ramsey at the death of his son, Cameron, Jan. 2023
Barbara and Bob Thomas, at the death of Barbara's sister, Nov. 2022

Holy Baptism – The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was celebrated for Mary Margaret Alpert, son of Ryan and Rebecca Lybrand Alpert on Sunday, November 20.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was celebrated for Carmen Caroline Baker, daughter of Rockwell "Rocky" and Elizabeth "Liz" Baker on Sunday, November 27.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was celebrated for Nelson Ann Jones, son of Robert Coty & Sarah Wagoner Jones on Sunday, January 8.

January & February Birthdays and Anniversaries -
Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all celebrants.

TRUMC is closed in observance of
The Rev. Dr. Martin LUTHER KING JR HOLIDAY
16 JAN
PASTOR JAMES MCCOY-BRUCE WILL BE SHARING THE INVOCATION ON MLK DAY AT CHAPPELLE MEMORIAL A.M.E. AT 10:00AM. TRUMC MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.
I have decided to stick with love.
Hate is too great a burden to bear. - MLK

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

SUNDAY @ TRENHOLM ROAD UMC

8:45am - Traditional Worship

9:45am - Sunday School

11:00am - Traditional Worship



TRUMC is the place for fellowship, discipleship, and great food on Wednesday nights. The nursery is available every Wednesday from 5:30pm - 7:30pm. Children's Choir meets from 5-5:45 PM, Discipleship Junior - 6:30-7:30 PM.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY – 6:30PM

Pathfinders Classroom

Sanctuary Choir - 6:30pm

February 21 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 6:00 PM

February 22 - Ash Wednesday Service at 6:30 PM

MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Tuesday - SPRC - 6pm

2nd Tuesday - Trustees - 6pm

3rd Tuesday - Finance - 6pm

4th Tuesday - Church Council - 6pm

1st Monday - Children's Core - 6pm

1st Monday - Stephen Ministry - 6pm

1st Monday - Church & Society - 6pm

1st Monday - TRUMC Book Club - 6:30pm

1st Tuesday - Prayer Team - 11am

2nd Monday - Frances Foster Circle - 9:30am

2nd Tuesday - UMin Faith Circle - 10:00am

2nd Saturday Sisterhood Circle - 10am - Parlor

BECOME A MEMBER

If you are interested in becoming a member of Trenholm Road UMC? Visit www.trenholmroad.org/join Fill out a member form. We look forward to having you join us as a member of TRUMC!



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW CHURCH HOME?
BAPTISM NEEDED FOR YOUR CHILD?

Contact Pastor James

pastor@trumc.org

Get involved with great ministries at a great church!



A Word from Your Co-Lay Leaders

Happy New Year, TRUMC members, from your 2023 Co-Lay Leaders, Randy Akers and Beth Corley! We are both humbled and excited to be serving you in this role as we seek to foster and facilitate the work of the laity of TRUMC in ministry and mission. We will be working closely with Pastor James along with administrative committees and church council to help us stay in lock step with our church's vision for ministry in our community and beyond. You will hear a lot about discovering and using your spiritual gifts in love and service, as God has called us to make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. But for our work to work, we need You!! Please connect with us if we can offer support as you seek your unique way to serve.

In his day ministry, Randy Akers is the long-time director of the S.C. Humanities Council. Here at the church, he is a founding member and teacher of the Spirit of Fellowship Sunday School Class and a faithful member of the TRUMC Book Club. He is a sought-after teacher in other classes as well and was previously involved in the Church and Society ministry. Randy can be reached at rlakers99@aol.com.

Beth Corley retired from state government service as a health and human services data architect and researcher. She has used her retirement in active volunteerism. At TRUMC she is the co-leader and one of several teachers of the Contemporary Issues Sunday School Class, a member of the Sanctuary Choir and has served in many leadership, prayer, and teaching roles over the years. Beth can be reached at bethcorley402@gmail.com.

Children & Youth

Birthday Party for Jesus Recap

We had a blast at our birthday party for Jesus at the end of December! Pastor James shared the Christmas Story with all the children, then we played some fun games, had a gingerbread house competition, and ate some birthday cake! Special thanks to all the adults who helped make this event possible and helped out during the event as well!



Gift Making Recap

Our children had our annual gift making event at the beginning of December! Each child made 2 gifts to take home to give to special people in their lives! We had a blast and our children went home with some very special gifts. This is another event that we could not do without all our volunteers, so thank you for all you do to help!

Wednesday Night Gym Safety

The gym will remain closed and locked during dinner unless 1 adult volunteer per 5 students are available to supervise!

Adults only may request the gym be unlocked by Ashlea or Linda. This new procedure is to comply with Safe Sanctuary and to ensure the safety of our students.

Sunday School and Wednesday Night

We have Sunday School for 4 year old-5th grade each from 9:45-10:45. Four year olds-5th grade meets each Wednesday night from 6:30-7:30 PM. Please contact Ashlea Cox with any questions! Children's Choirs meet from 5:00-5:45pm on Wednesdays. Contact Sarah Fletcher at sfletcher@trumc.org for more information or register your child at trenholmroad.org.

Youth Updates

- No MYF Sunday Jan. 15- MYF resumes Jan. 22
 - Lattes with Linda- Monday Jan. 23, 3:00-5:00
- Confirmation: Sign up for Teaching and Breakfast – youth@trumc.org

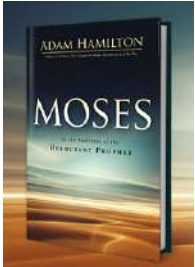




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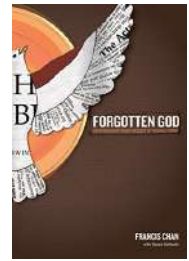
This month the Trenholm Road UMC Hiking Group will be traveling to Fairfield/Newberry Counties to enjoy a 4-5 mile walk on a section of the Peak to Prosperity Passage of the Palmetto Trail. This trail utilizes an old railroad line (very flat) and crosses the Broad River and traverses steam bottoms and pine groves of the piedmont. The group will meet in the TRUMC back parking lot at 8:00 am. on Friday, January 20 to travel by carpool.

Hikes are scheduled for the 3rd Friday of each month through May. The hikes will generally be ranked as easy to moderate in difficulty and are open to anyone interested in joining us for a day of enjoying God's creation. Please contact Steve Krietemeyer at swkrietemeyer@gmail.com or 803.528.4184 if you plan to join us this month.



Wednesday Evening Study

The adults will begin a 6-week study on Moses by Adam Hamilton. The class will start on Wednesday, January 18 and end on Wednesday, February 15. The class will meet in the Pathfinders class room.



Hope Sunday School Class

Is inviting any interested to Bible study of the Holy Spirit over the next 2 months. No materials are needed to attend 9:45-11am in Room 214 - Hope Sunday School room. We are using Francis Chan's book Forgotten God. This book provides scriptural support and a compelling narrative to remember the Spirit of the living God. We will be studying 1/15-2/19, come to one or all as you like.

Family Promise "Host Week" Coming February 12-18

Trenholm Road will have its 1st 2023 COVID-modified "host week" on February 12-18 to support Family Promise of the Midlands. During that week, Sunday School classes, circles, and other groups may adopt one of the 3 families living in the triplex through the provision of grocery gift cards and gas cards, as well as prepared supper meals and/or restaurant gift cards. Individuals and families who wish to participate will be matched with a Sunday School class or other group.

Details on each family will be provided in advance. Assistance will be provided in organizing and coordinating deliveries, etc. Depending on the size and particular needs of each family, the total financial commitment is expected to be approximately \$300-\$400.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Walter Caudle at waltercaudle@gmail.com.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER
CHURCH WIDE MEAL



Tuesday Feb. 21, 6:00-7:30 pm in the Dining Room
Pre-register \$4 a person, \$12 Family Cap
At the door \$5 a person, \$15 Family Cap

Pre-register using the link or QR code below
Money will be collected at the door

Save the Date
FEBRUARY 21
"Pancake Dinner"
TRUMC -
Churchwide



TRUMC Church and Society Core Team

Mission Statement

Adopted November 7, 2022

In alignment with the UMC mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, the TRUMC Church and Society Core Team seeks to advance social justice by educating and informing the congregation about justice issues in our society. This is done by leading TRUMC to pray, study and work in areas of social concern and justice, especially for the marginalized and oppressed. Our goals include consciousness raising, education, and advocacy.

The Team works through offering written resources and events such as special worship services, book/film discussions, information sessions, panel discussions/forums, and relationship-building to foster individual and/or collective advocacy action.

Core documents are Scripture, as well as The Social Principles and The Book of Resolutions of the UMC.

March 15, 2023
At 6:30pm

Conversations about UMC SC Conference & the UMC

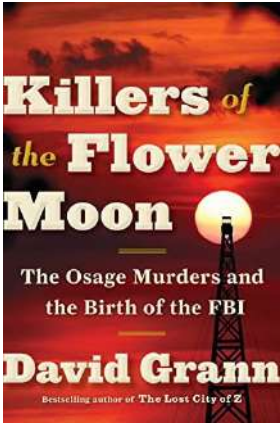
with
Special Guests
District Superintendents
Rev. Fran Elrod (Columbia)
Rev. Ken Nelson (Orangeburg)

All TRUMC family welcome
Watch for details on submitting
"early questions" for possible
discussion.

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BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION

VISIT THE TRUMC LIBRARY!!!



FEBRUARY BOOK CLUB
The TRUMC Book club will meet on Monday, February 6 at 6:30pm in the parlor to discuss *Killers of the Flower Moon, The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann. To participate by Zoom, contact Margaret Haffner – musselman123@hotmail.com



Located in Room 104 in the Main Building across from the Business Office - our library is always open. Adult books ranging from fiction, Bible study, history, help with problems, and DVD programs are available for check-out. There is also a section of free books available. Come check it out!

Attendance & Financial Report

Annual Budget, \$1,416,812
Month-to-Date Receipts, \$108,855
Month-to-Date Expenses, \$151,843
Difference, (\$42,988)
Year-to-Date Receipts, \$1,249,479
Year-to-Date Expenses, \$1,264,843
Difference, (\$15,364)



While you are in the pew or away, continue to support TRUMC by giving online or by mobile phone. Txt2give - text the word GIVE to 803-998-2311 and follow instructions or www.trenholmroad.org



Altar Flowers

Many people have special days in the year on which they commemorate events or loved ones. Please sign up for available dates on the flower chart in the hallway. The new price for 2023 altar floral arrangements is \$100.

TRUMC members, thanks for your December support for Harvest Hope!



Poinsettias donations at Trenholm Rd UMC

Thanks for your generosity at Christmas.

GIVEN IN MEMORY

Mary Alice Akers by Randy Akers
Hayes Mizell by Kate Swanson and their children, Sally, Elizabeth and Mark
Our parents, Donna Jackson and Tom Davis by Jeff, Kelly and Brooke Davis
Our grandparents, Fred and Jessie Davis; Coyle and Nettie McCraw; Dick and Louise Atkinson; and Glenn and Ruth Jackson by Jeff, Kelly and Brooke Davis
Anne and Ed Lewis, parents of Carolyn by Ken and Carolyn Cook
Dorothy and Loniel Cook, parents of Ken by Ken and Carolyn Cook
Miriam Parrott by Celia Jernigan
Kathryn and Red Blackmon, Donald Blackmon and Kathryn Hill by Kathy Blackmon
Joe Dorton by Chris, Kim, Cameron & Elizabeth Huffman
Herbert & Louise Masters & the grandparents of Joshua Day by Joshua Day and Landon Masters
Barbara Jones by Bob Jones
Ginger Blackmon & Lyle McElveen by Margaret McElveen
Bill Floyd and Bee Turner by the Believers Sunday School Class
Bee Turner by Elizabeth, Matt and Ragan Turner
Bob Waldron by Sandra and Natasha Waldron
The Reverend and Mrs. Joel E. Cannon by Catherine Cannon and Mildred J. Cannon
Warren and Ann Derrick by the grandchildren, Abby, Shelby and Rachel Truitt
Bill Floyd and Michael Derrick by Sophia and Lynn Derrick
Mrs. Georgia Free Laney by David, Katie, Lauren and Julia Free
Mr. Horace Dagnall Free, Sr. by David, Katie, Lauren and Julia Free
Willie Mae and Damon Owens by Sarah, Brett, Carter and Grant Owens
Michael W. Hozey by Doris-Ann and Conor Hozey
George and Virginia Strother by Kaye Strother
Ken Cutler by Geri Cutler
Margaret Klotzbach by Bob and Kathy Klotzbach
Frederick Klotzbach by Bob and Kathy Klotzbach
Russell Hause by Bob and Kathy Klotzbach
Stuart Smith by Donna Smith
Frieda Posey by Linda and Kyle Collins
Fred Walker by Cynthia Minton-Walker
Lawhorne family by Lawhorne and Little family
Ginger Blackmon by Helene Cargile
Ginger Blackmon by Kay James
Rev. Charles L. and JoAnne Dunn by Willis and Lynn Jenkins
Rex Wilson by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Hayes Mizell by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Frieda Posey by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Nathaniel Graham by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Annie Martha Hills by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Banks Lowry and Mary Lee and Edward Roper by Mary Willa Lowry
Charlie Peebles by The Peebles family
Edith Peebles by The Peebles family
Barbra Jones by Bob Jones
Pa by Nana, Trip & the Charlie Strauss Family
Elsie and Werner Strauss by the Charlie Strauss Family
Pa Arnett by the Richard Strauss Family
Jim "Poppop" Plair by the Richard Strauss Family
Elsie and Werner Strauss by the Richard Strauss Family
Jake Zeman by Richard, Terri, Andrew, Keri Lynn & Justin Strauss
Barbra Jones by Bill & Joy Watkins
Malcolm and Sarah Watkins by Bill & Joy Watkins
Our grandparents, Warren and Ann Derrick by Abby, Shelby & Rachel Truitt
Sue M. Kaufmann by Hans J. Kaufmann, Jr.
Hans J. Kaufmann, Sr. by Hans J. Kaufmann, Jr.
Ann and Jim Younts by Chris, Pam, Marnie, Christopher, Caroline, Blake, Jasmine, Julia, Olivia, Josie & Kenny
Our parents, Mr. and Mrs. Strother C. Paysinger from Dr. and Mrs. B. Daniel Paysinger
Our parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Henry Lominack from Dr. and Mrs. B. Daniel Paysinger



GIVEN IN HONOR

TRUMC, thank you for being my home! by Bryann Burgess
Our parents, Cecil Jackson and Judy Davis by Jeff, Kelly and Brooke Davis
Rev. James and Rev. Ashley McCoy-Bruce by Geri Cutler
Tinsley and Will Minton by Cynthia Minton-Walker
Peggy Mathis by Lorene McGuire
Beth Corley by Peggy Mathis
Lorene McGuire by Peggy Mathis
Our Children and Grandchildren by Ken and Gloria Bayer
Jim, Cathy and Ryan Hamner by Lorene McGuire
Melanie Parker by Brooke Davis
Mary Lance Garrison
David and Annie Day and Roderick and Michele Masters by Joshua Day and Landon Masters
Walter Caudle, Barry Brandes and the TV crew. Thanks for all you do! by Jim and Cathy Hamner
Ina Porter Simpson and Dianne Chinnes by David and Glenna Kinard
Our children by Bob Jones
Lorene McGuire by Jim, Cathy, Taylor & Ryan
Suzanne Wise by Margaret McElveen
Bob Jones by Bill and Joy Watkins
Tom and Judy Truitt by their grandchildren, Abby, Shelby and Rachel Truitt
Tom Posey by Linda and Kyle Collins
Red and Betty Jenkins by Willis and Lynn Jenkins
Rev. James McCoy-Bruce and family by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Rev. Sarah Fletcher and family by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Rev. David Day and family by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Randy Moore by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
John and Pat Bolin by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Daryl Byrd by the Carillon Handbell Choir
Eben Trobaugh and family by the Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir
Nana, by Trip and the Charlie Strauss Family
Our sons, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren by Lee Anne & Charlie Strauss
Naner Arnett by the Richard Strauss Family
Sally Plair by the Richard Strauss Family
Andrew, Keri Lynn, Justin, Jacob and Ali by Richard & Terri Strauss





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