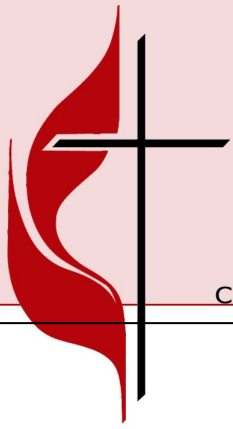


MARCH/APRIL 2023



# CARTERET C O N N E C T I O N

CARTERET STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH | BEAUFORT, SC

## A Word from Pastor Bryson...

I like all of the seasons of the year. I think I like summer best, but Spring is so wonderful. Spring comes earlier in Beaufort than anywhere else I have ever lived (I have lived in the mountains and foothills most of my life). I believe I like earlier Spring. I know I really like more sun during the day. Flowers and the re-greening of the gray flora brings a smile to my face. Spring is wonderful!

Spring also brings Lent and Easter. We are in Lent now and I love it. Preparing ourselves for Easter and Holy week. Being ready for a crucifixion and a resurrection. Denying ourselves with fasting and reflection, confession and repentance. Turning ourselves to God. Remembering the sacrifices Jesus made for the whole world. Lent is wonderful!

The long standing tradition of Lent is to fast from something during Lent and I encourage fasting. Our Associate Pastor, Terry Pfeiffer offered some ideas to enrich our spiritual lives in Lent. Terry, wisely, encouraged us to try adding something for Lent. Take up something which might enrich your or someone else's life. Terry's idea is wonderful!

I hope that each of us will read the word of God during Lent. I would encourage each of us to read Matthew's account of Holy week this year. Chapter 21 thru 28. Look at the details of Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Pay attention to what Jesus did during the week: Where did he teach, where did he go at night, who was with him, who is he speaking to, what are the details of arrest, denial, betrayal, trail and crucifixion. What happened on the first Easter morning, who was there, what were the instructions? What happened after Easter in Matthew's account? What does all of this mean for us? Do we live like these events matter in our lives? Let me know if you have any questions. The Word of God is wonderful!

I hope that no matter what you choose in Lent, whether denial or taking something up, that your actions turn you to God. To remember Jesus and to follow Jesus. Following Jesus is wonderful!

I pray for each of us blessings for a wonderful Lent and Spring!

Pastor Bryson



**Capital Campaign: Faith in Our Future for the Next 100 Years**

We have kicked off our Capital Campaign to raise money to complete a number of improvements to our Church buildings and grounds. The improvements are: Remodeled restrooms for the 1st floor Fellowship Hall, handicap access from the Sanctuary to the Fellowship Hall, resurface our parking lot and replace windows in the Education Building. The cost of these projects far exceeds our annual budget.

If you have not pledged for the campaign, commitment cards are available in the Church Office or at the entrances to the Sanctuary. You may place these in the offering plate or drop off at the Church Office. Thank you for your consideration of and participation in this important step in the life of our Church.

**Discernment Process**

Recently we had two meetings regarding the discernment process to provide information to our congregation. The meetings ended with a non-binding survey. The survey had two options: 1. Enter into the discernment process immediately with intention to leave the UMC in 2023 or 2. Not enter into the discernment process at this time. The survey results are: 8-enter immediately; 139-not enter and 1 abstention. The Church Council met on January 26th and the results were discussed. The Church Council made a motion to not enter into the discernment process at this time. It was seconded and all were in favor. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Bryson.

**Holy Land Trip 2024**

April 2-12, 2024

If you are interested in this trip to the Holy Land contact Pastor Bryson.

**Great Day of Service**

Volunteer Registration forms will be mailed out by February 15, 2023. Please give serious thought as to where your talents could best serve in making your choice. Please select at least two as some of the opportunities fill up quickly and we need to re-route volunteers to other opportunities. The deadline for receipt of the Registration Forms to the Church Office is March 4, 2023, but we would appreciate it if you could send it in as soon as possible so we can begin aligning volunteers with our various service projects. If you have questions or need additional information please contact our GDOS Coordinators

Marc Sviland  
([mdsviland@gmail.com](mailto:mdsviland@gmail.com))  
or Linda Sviland  
([Lindasilksviland@gmail.com](mailto:Lindasilksviland@gmail.com)).



**UMCOR Responds to Turkey-Syria Earthquakes**

UMCOR is assisting Turkey-Syria during the recent earthquakes. If you would like to make a donation, please make your check payable to CSUMC and note UMCOR Earthquakes in the memo line. 100% of the proceeds will go to the relief effort. Thank you for your support. To date we have collected \$4,100 for the relief efforts.

**CSUMC Decals and Carabiner Key Chains**

Window cling CSUMC decals and carabiner keychains are available in the Church Office.

**HELP of Beaufort Food Pantry**

HELP of Beaufort is in need of many items for their food pantry such as peanut butter & jelly, boxed dry cereal, boxed macaroni & cheese, canned vegetables, canned ravioli, canned tomato products, canned fruit, flour, grits, rice, mayonnaise, sugar, vegetable oil, pasta sauce & bottled water. They also need laundry detergent. These items can be dropped off at the Church Office.



**Sunday Lenten Sermon Series 2023**  
*Jesus Wants the World to Know*

Date	Scripture	Events	Sermon Title
March 5	Matthew 24: 1	Destruction of Temple/Signs	Tell Us, When
March 12	Matthew 22: 23	Questions about Resurrection	The Resurrection
March 19	Matthew 22: 15	Paying Taxes	Is He Really Talking About Taxes?
March 26	Matthew 22: 34	Greatest Command	A New Command

These scriptures are taken from Matthews Gospel. These scriptures are from Palm Sunday until before Jesus is arrested. The last week Jesus was on earth before he was crucified. Words and events Jesus is sharing during his last week. These words are important and Jesus wants us to know these last teachings. Why is Jesus telling us this? What does it mean for the world? What does this mean for us?

**A New Way to Fast:**

“If you are not already doing so, consider deepening your Lenten journey by fasting from a habit or practice that ties you too closely to human economies that rely on overwork and over-consumption. Find moments this season to rest in the assurance that you are God’s precious child, loved unconditionally, chosen, like Abram, before you did anything to earn it.

Gracious God, thank you for adopting me as your child. Allow me to rest, knowing you never rest. Allow me to know—deep down—the gift of grace you have offered me. Amen”

Page 82, Disciplines: A Book of Daily Devotions 2023 - By writer Elizabeth W. Corrie. Shared by Terry Pfeiffer

**Monday Lenten Worship**

12 noon followed by Lunch in the Fellowship Hall

Date	Preacher
March 6	Lay Servant Brad Smith, Liturgist Rev. Terry Pfeiffer
March 13	Lay Servant Gary Ayers, Liturgist Rev. Bryson Williams
March 20	Lay Servant Wally Cole, Liturgist Rev. Bryson Williams
March 27	Rev. Terry Pfeiffer, Liturgist Rev. Bryson Williams

**To enrich your Lenten spiritual life,  
please try adding one of these:**

- Read Upper Room daily
- Read extra short scripture at top of Upper Room page
- Read Scripture that Bryson or I recommend in worship
- Say grace daily at one meal
- Attend in Lent one of our 4 Adult Church Classes
- Read one chapter daily of Matthew
- Read Upper Room Disciplines
- Keep a daily gratitude list
- Pray for people listed in the bulletin
- Create something on your own: \_\_\_\_\_

**Connect with us!**

We invite you to worship on-line or in-person  
(8:30 & 10:30) on Sundays!! The service is posted  
on Facebook and available on our  
website Facebook scroll at [www.carteretstumc.org](http://www.carteretstumc.org).

Visit us on Facebook!  
[facebook.com/csumcbeaufort](https://facebook.com/csumcbeaufort)

Check in with us  
TODAY on Facebook!!

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Follow our Youth on Facebook!!  
Carteret Street UMC Youth

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Follow our Children on Facebook!!  
Carteret Street UMC Children’s Activities

**Call to Care Team**

The Call to Care Team has started a meal train to assist those who have special needs and might be outside the circle of care provided by the UMW. If you are interested in participating or know of anyone in the congregation who may benefit from this service please contact, Janie Ephland, Betty Miller, Michelle Dufour or the Church Office.

**Christian Nurture Committee**

The Committee on Christian Nurture will meet at 5:30pm Monday, March 27 in the Conference Room.

To Our Dear Church Family:  
 We, along with our Mom, Ellen, want to thank you for all the cards, calls, food, support and caring words during the loss of our Dad, Jimmy. We are so grateful for such a caring and loving church family. We will miss our Dad so much and he will always hold a special place in our hearts.  
 With Love, James and Bradley Fabian

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To My Wonderful Church Family:  
 Thank you so much for the calls, cards, food and support during my recent foot surgery. I am so thankful to have such a caring church family. I will be back to work soon! I have missed everyone so much.  
 With Love, Ellen Fabian

**Welcome**  
 John and Ellen Brooks, Luann Ayers and Kimberly Skok joined into membership of our church family on February 26, 2023.

**Trustees Meeting**  
 March 20, 2023, 6:00pm, Conference Room

**SPRC**  
 March 9, 2023, 6:00pm, Conference Room

**March and April Nursery Workers**

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|--------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>March</b> |                                         |
| <b>5</b>     | Priscilla Kimball, Lora Quincy          |
| <b>12</b>    | Alice Howard, Joy Cole                  |
| <b>19</b>    | Brenda Cabrey, Kathy Wilson             |
| <b>26</b>    | Melinda Ackerman, Ann Bradford          |
| <b>April</b> |                                         |
| <b>2</b>     | Karen Bobbitt, Harriet Luce             |
| <b>9</b>     | Denise, Madison and MacKenzie Berbigler |
| <b>16</b>    | Melinda Ackerman, Holly Mehrer          |
| <b>23</b>    | Ellen Fabian, Kimberly Keyserling       |
| <b>30</b>    | Diane Peebles, Sandra Simmons           |

**CSUMC Elizabeth Parker Calhoon Library**  
**Room 301 Education Building**

If you have not been to our CSUMC Library, please take the time to do so. Tucked away in a quiet corner on the third floor of the education building, you will find a lovely library dedicated in 2013 to Elizabeth Parker Calhoon. A wide variety of books are there for you to check out – Novels, Spiritual Growth books, Non-Fiction books, Bible References, Daily Devotionals, and Children’s books. Books are easy to check out; simply return when finished. Don’t forget that you can take the elevator to the 3rd floor. Please come and enjoy!!!

**Lent/Holy Week/Easter Schedule**

**Palm Sunday, April 2nd**  
 Easter Cantata – Lift High the Cross, 10:30am service. A reception to follow. If you would like to provide goodies for the reception, please sign up in your Sunday bulletin or call the Church Office. We need cookies, sandwiches, veggie trays, meatballs and any other food items you want to make.

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
 Sunday, April 2nd. Details to follow.

**Holy Thursday**  
 April 6th, 7:00pm Communion

**Good Friday Crosswalk, April 7th**  
 Our youth, children and families will meet at 11:30am at the church to carry the cross from Bay Street and Ribaut Road to the front of the church. You are invited to join them at the church at 12:30pm for a time of prayer and meditation. This is a sobering reminder of Jesus’ journey to Golgatha and his crucifixion there. A lunch will follow.

**Easter Sunday, April 9th**  
 Easter Sunday Worship with Adorning of the Altar, 8:30am and 10:30am; Living Cross in front of the Church (Please bring flowers to place upon the cross)

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**Easter Lilies**

It is that time of year to decorate our sanctuary with beautiful Easter lilies in memory or in honor of loved ones. If you would like to order an Easter Lily, please sign up on the Communication sheet in your bulletin or call the Church Office. The cost of each lily is \$15.00 and your order/payment is due by Sunday, April 2, 2023 for your name(s) to be included in bulletin insert.

**American Red Cross Blood Drive**

The next blood drive is April 6, 2023 from 10:30am-4:30pm at Carteret Street UMC Fellowship Hall. Appointments are valuable as the Red Cross staffs the drive based on the number of appointments. If you don’t have an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767 or log onto redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins are sincerely appreciated and the best time to walk in is after 3:00pm.



**Wednesday Niters**

We will serve dinner from 5:30pm – 6pm followed by a program or Bible Study which will begin at 6:00pm.

Please sign up for dinner on the attached form in your Sunday bulletin or call the Church Office by **12noon on Monday**. If you are on the permanent reservation list and will not be here, please let us know. The cost for the meal is \$7 for adults, \$4 for age 12 and under, families not to exceed \$20.

***March and April Programs:***

March 5: Operation Patriots Forward Operating Base

March 8: Lent Trivia Night

March 15: United Methodist Men

March 22: Beaufort Conservation League,  
Grant McClure

March 29: Born to Read, Janie Ephland

April 5: No Wednesday Niter

April 12: No Wednesday Niter

April 19: Friends of Caroline Hospice, Lanelle Fabian

April 26: Parkinson’s Support Group, Scott Rider

**Altar Flowers**

The following dates are available to place flowers on the altar: April 30; July 23, 30; September 3, 17, October 8, 15. Call the Church Office.

**United Methodist Men**

The UMM will meet on Monday, March 13 and April 12 in the Fellowship Hall. All men are encouraged to attend and become members. In addition to our meetings we are available to assist needy members of our congregation with yard cleanup and minor repair projects. You can contact Ken Mills or Cliff Wimberly regarding any projects.

**United Methodist Men Super Bowl Pork Butt Thank You**

The United Methodist Men wish to thank our congregation for their outstanding support of this year’s Boston Butt Fund Raiser. We sold 140 Boston Butts which will go a long way in supporting our mission work. Special recognition goes to our top salesman this year, Wally Cole, who sold twenty-three Boston Butts.

**Seekers Book Club**

Date: March 2, 2023

Book: *The Damascus Road: A Novel of Saint Paul*  
by Jay Parini

Date: April 6, 2023

Book: *At First Sight* by Nicholas Sparks

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30am. Bring a sandwich. Drinks and dessert provided. Come join us!

**Gray Blades Luncheon**

Thursday, March 9 and April 13, 2023

12 Noon in the Fellowship Hall

Please join us for Fellowship, Fun and Food. Everyone is welcome. You don't have to be "Gray" to be a Gray Blade. All members of CSUMC are welcome to attend the luncheon and presentations. Please notify Mickey Stoble if you plan to attend. Bring either a covered dish, salad or dessert of your choice. Drinks will be provided.

**Night Owls Book Club**

Date: March 29, 2023 (note date change)

Book: *Carolina Moonset* by Matt Goldman

Date: April 19, 2023

Book: *Daughter of Cana* by Angela Hunt

The Night Owls Book Club meets via zoom on the third Wednesday of each month at 4:00pm.

If you are interested in being a part of this group, please email the church at [carteretstreetumc@gmail.com](mailto:carteretstreetumc@gmail.com) and include your name, telephone number and email address. Upon receipt of this information you will be added to the list for the Book Club. An email containing the zoom link will be sent out the day before the scheduled meeting.

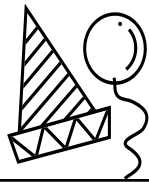
**A Bible Study on the Lectionary**

The Lectionary Bible Study, led by Rev. Terry Pfeiffer meets on March 30 (note date change) and April 20 at 12noon in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a sandwich. Drinks and dessert will be provided. We will study together from 12-1:00pm and then eat together.

The scriptures for March 30 are: Matthew 21:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16.

The scriptures for April are: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 116;1-4, 12-19; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35.

**BIRTHDAYS**



<b>MARCH</b>		Jim Hicks	24
Chip Floyd	1	Rosemary Hedden	25
Lorna Barto	1	Colette Tebeau	26
Harper Burch	3	April Truett	26
Carol Zurakowski	3	Courtney Worrell	28
Carrie Bibbins	4	Melissa Lewis	29
Jonathan Williams	4	Jerry Weir	29
Kathy Mixon	5	Tracy Mar	29
Seth Gollihugh	6	<b>APRIL</b>	
Karen Bobbitt	6	Gene Howard	1
Dick Clarke	6	Scott Morgan II	1
Anne Haas	6	Jacob Pylant	1
June Stevenson	6	Tanya Melton	2
Zoe Farley	7	Danny Steele	2
Jennifer Lyles	9	Jack Cabrey	2
Cassie Morgan	10	Daniel Lesesne	3
Ellie Morgan	10	Tom Brumby	4
Claire Martin	11	Jeff Duncan	4
J.P. Perry	11	Winston Wilfong	4
Virginia O'Kelley	11	Edward Thomas	6
Marynell Winslow	12	John McGown	7
Connor Armstrong	15	Ken Mills	7
Rachel Bennett	15	Dan Haas	8
Sharon Wyatt	15	Michael Tims	10
Ellen Hill	15	Susan Wyant	11
Mackenzie Berbigler	15	Roxie Mulvihill	13
Madison Berbigler	15	Izzy Yeager	14
Carsyn Frank	15	Kenneth Simmons	14
Jon Boyer	16	Cindy Keener	17
Don Martz	17	Pam Bell	17
Patsey Parker	17	Cindy Greene	17
Ray Bradford	17	Kathy Griffin	18
Shelby Breland	17	Sally Wilfong	21
Amy Luce Hane	18	James Berbigler	22
Jack Carter Worrell	19	Emily Rose Farley	22
Christine Warner	19	Beverly Cook	22
PP Pynn	19	Jack Keener	24
Barbara Garrison	20	Helena Bennett	25
Christy Pettit	20	Madison Melton	25
Nancy Thomas	21	Josh Cole	26
Karyn DeVore	21	Amanda Hulin	26
Pat Strader	22	Ashley Peeples	26
Court Martin	22	Laura Williams	27
M.C. Chisum	22	Leigh Hiers	28
Jim Bates	23	Rick Somerall	29



**Youth News**



UMYF, Grades 6-12

Youth Sunday School Classes

6th - 12th grades, Room 308, 9:30am

The Youth wish to thank all those who contributed to our Souper Bowl of Caring. We collected **\$779.40** towards helping to feed individuals here in the Beaufort area.

**UMYF**

- March 5:** 6-7:30pm Regular UMYF
- March 12:** 12:00noon Clean-up Pigeon Point Landing
- March 19:** 6:00-7:30 Regular UMYF
- March 25:** Great Day of Service
- March 26:** Confirmation Sunday NO EVENING UMYF
- April 2:** Palm Sunday, Easter Egg Hunt-1-3pm, Location TBD, youth to hide eggs; No Evening UMYF
- April 7:** Good Friday, 11:30am, Youth meet at church for Crosswalk
- April 9:** Easter Sunday, NO Evening UMYF
- April 14-16:** Asbury Hills
- April 16:** NO Evening UMYF
- April 23:** Regular UMYF 6-7:30pm
- April 30:** Regular UMYF 6-7:30pm

**Asbury Hills**

Asbury Hills is a United Methodist Retreat Center in Cleveland, SC. The youth will go for a weekend retreat April 14-16, 2023. If you are interested in this trip please see Ms. Lynn. Further details to follow. This will be a fun, faith-filled experience for all!

Please call or email Lynn Stratton if you have any questions or concerns.

**Children's Corner**

**Children's Sunday School Class**

K – 5th grade - Room 300

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30am!

**Easter Egg Hunt**

Sunday, April 2nd, 1-3pm, Location TBD

**Palm Sunday, April 2**

Children are invited to participate in the Palm Parade. Meet in front of the church to receive Palms and line up at 10:15am.

**Crosswalk, Good Friday**

April 7th, 11:30am

Children and families meet at church for Crosswalk

**Easter Candy Needed**

We are in need of individually wrapped candy, small toys and stickers to fill the Easter Eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt. If you would like to donate any of these items, please drop them off in the Church Office. Thank you so much!

**Save the date!**

Vacation Bible School,  
June 19-23rd  
Cokesbury's Hero  
Hotline: Called Together  
to Serve God!

Contact Melinda Ackerman for more information regarding Children's Ministry.



**Prayer Chain**

If you are interested in being a member of the Prayer Chain please provide the church office with your name and email address. Weekly emails are sent out to the prayer chain members with prayer concerns.

**Church Office Information**

Church Office Hours are 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday thru Thursday and 9:00am to 1:00pm on Fridays. We will continue with these hours until further notice.

**Worship**

We continue to offer online worship. We also continue with two services at 8:30am and 10:30am for now.

**The Faith We Sing for the Sanctuary**

We have purchased The Faith We Sing (TFWS) which is a supplement hymnal for worship. TFWS has new hymns and many wonderful traditional hymns of the church as: *I'll Fly Away* and *Wade in the Water*. If you would like to place one or more in memory or in honor of a loved one, please call the Church Office or sign up on the attached form in your bulletin. The cost for each copy is \$20.00. They will be placed in the pews with the current United Methodist Hymnals.

The Faith We Sing Hymnals will be dedicated on March 19, 2023.

**Nametags**

Carteret Street UMC nametags are available for purchase at \$10.00 each. Some of you already have them, but if you do not, please let us know if you would like to buy one. Fill out the attached form in your bulletin with your name so we can order them. We would like for each person to wear their name tags on Sunday mornings and other church events.

**Financial Stewardship 2023**

Thank you to everyone who has returned their Commitment of Giving Card for 2023. If you have not returned your Commitment Card, please return when you can. Cards are available at the entrances to the Sanctuary or in the Church Office.

**Officers and Committees 2023**

The Officers and Committees list for 2023 is available in the Church Office.

**Carillon Choir**

The Carillon Bell Choir practices on Mondays at 9:30am. Those interested in playing in the Bell Choir including past players should contact Richard Zurakowski.

**Chancel Choir**

Regular rehearsals at 6:30pm each Wednesday.  
Easter Cantata on Palm Sunday, April 2nd at 10:30am  
Worship Service.  
New members welcome!! Contact Bobby Blanton.

**Do You Play the Recorder?**

Our Recorder Group is growing and having fun! We play soprano, alto, tenor and bass. If anyone plays the recorder or would like to learn, please contact Marlene Cracraft or call the Church Office. We practice on Fridays from 10:00am to 11:30am. At the end of practice we play a few pieces for the Alzheimer's Social Day in the Fellowship Hall. If anyone is interested in booking us for your group, please call Marlene.



**In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

**Home** Ethel Cook, Sarah Davis, Jouette Duckworth, Barbara Garrison, Kathy Griffin, Frank and Gloria Hamilton, Jim Hicks, Lad Howell, May Lepionka, Linda Oliva, PP Pynn, Dora Sauls, Linda Self

**Helena Place** Marlene Cracraft

**Sprenger Health Care** Jackie Black, Buddy Clark, Curtis Smith

**Oaks at Salem Road** Gladys Chapman

**The Retreat at Lady's Island** Russell Beer, Barbara Carothers

**Wesley Commons, Greenwood** Betty Elkins

**Connection Deadline**

Please submit information for the May 2023 *Carteret Connection* to the church office by April 16th.

**Stewardship Report as of February 26, 2023**

<b>Budget Needs Y-T-D</b>	\$ 110,739.72
<b>Received Y-T-D</b>	\$ 113,896.19

We extend our sympathy to: Heather and Bob Bundy and Family on the death of Heather's sister, **Hannah Robertson Merritt** on January 25, 2023 in Orangeburg, SC; Jack and Brenda Cabrey and Family on the death of Brenda's son, **John Madison Goodyear** on January 31, 2023.

**Church Staff**

**ELLEN FABIAN**, Administrative Assistant  
**RICHARD ZURAKOWSKI**, Carillon Choir Director  
**ROBERT BLANTON, JR.**, Director of Music Ministry  
**MELINDA ACKERMAN**, Director of Children's Ministries  
**JOHN PERRY**, Custodian

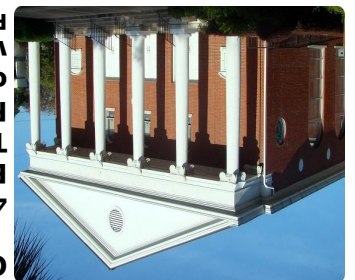
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**GARY RAKESTRAW**, Organist  
**ALLEN FARLEY**, Coordinator of Food Ministries  
**LYNN STRATTON**, Coordinator of Youth Ministries  
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