



# THE MEETING HOUSE NEWS

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SEPTEMBER

MISSION STATEMENT OF NAZARETH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*To worship and glorify God and to make disciples for Christ.*

Dear Nazareth Family,

Fall is my favorite time of year. It is hard to imagine as I write this in the 90 degree weather that autumn is within a few weeks. I love the colors of autumn, the promise of cooler evenings and eating supper on the porch. I know most people prefer spring and summer but the proof of God is just more evident to me in the blazing oranges, the vivid reds and occasional yellows of autumn. And of course, there is football! One of my favorite prayer books by Avery Brooke contains the following:

God, sometimes I hold something small in my hand, a piece of moss or a budding twig and, peering closely at this tiny world, I feel a sudden wonder. Help me to remember that you made these worlds and countless others and, in remembering, come closer to you. Amen.

We gear up for a “new” year beginning September 11. The Adult Sunday School classes will break back up into our four classes: Segrest (taught by Candy Franklin and Jan Ellis) Bridges (Dave Weneck and Paula Cash), Wagner (Gene Cothran) and the GIFT class (Brian Kern). If you have not found a home for Sunday School, join us for a fuller version of Coffee and Conversation at 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall where a representative from each class will give a brief overview of what they will be studying. Children and Youth will also move to their new classes and, due to need, we will once again offer a preschool Sunday School class for 4K and 5K. Youth Fellowship resumes that afternoon so September 11 is a big day.

The Fellowship Committee is planning an exciting Fall Festival for September 25th so look for details further in the Meetinghouse News!

Nazareth Presbyterian is a wonderful place to learn about God, worship with your fellow disciples and experience Christian fellowship, caring and fun. Don’t miss a minute of what the leadership here has planned.

Blessings,  
Julie

# Worship



**Worship in person or “Livestream” every Sunday.**

**Come and worship with us and bring a friend.**

Our Choir Kick off will resume practicing now that school is back in.

Many thanks to the soloists, instrumentalists and summer choir for continuing to uplift us with beautiful music. The Nazareth Choir is second to none because they do not perform, they praise God with their gifts.

**Head Ushers for September—Grant and Sandy Brown**



**Handbell rehearsals will resume on Monday, September 12th, at 5:30pm.**

## Session Highlights

### Approvals:

- Approved motion from Missions Committee to take up a special offering on 8/21 and 8/28 to go to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and be designated for aid with the Eastern Kentucky flooding.
- Approved motion from Admin Committee to pay cost to replace HVAC in office from the Building Fund. Dyal funds were disapproved for this project
- Approved motion from Admin Committee to allow Worship Committee to use \$4,894 from Building Fund and \$1,513 from existing pass-thru for Audio and Visual Updates for Livestreaming and Recording project. Total cost of project \$6,406.61
- Approved motion from Admin Committee to accept Audit Review Report for 2021.
- Approved motion from BG&S Committee to allow Music Club of Spartanburg (Susan Baier) to use Sanctuary and social hall Thursday, May 11, 2023, beginning at 5:00pm
- Tabled motion from BG&S Committee to approve removal of Caldwell Cabin. Information will be sent out in the September newsletter. Will also contact Carroll Caldwell and the family of Ken Collins before Session meets in September.

### Other Items:

- Dyal is not approving any grants at this time due to the drop in the market value of the fund.
- Session is cautioned to stay within budget as our financial situation has changed.
- Fall Festival to be held on Sunday, September 25, 2022, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- Amy is organizing an “adopt a college student” initiative to stay connected with our current college students. Details to follow.
- Mark Adams is scheduled to visit Nazareth on 12/18/2022.
- Considering an adult mission trip summer 2023 to eastern Kentucky to help with flood recovery. Will survey the congregation to gauge interest.
- Should have a web address for donations to Rise Against Hunger next week. Goal is 30,000 meals. Will need @ \$10,000. Currently have about \$2,5000.
- Planning a “Hanging of the Greens” service for Sunday, November 27.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CORNER

Goodbye August, Hello September! The kids are back in school, youth group will be starting soon and in 120 days we will celebrate Jesus' birth. On September 11, we will have Genesis Day starting at 9am with coffee and conversation in the Fellowship Hall. During this time a representative from each of the Adult Sunday School classes will give you a brief synopsis of what their class is currently studying.



Around 9:45am students will move up to their age-appropriate **Sunday School Classes and Adult classes will return to their classrooms**. For our young people we have a Sunday School as follows: **nursery, K4/K5 class, 1st/2nd class, 3rd-5th class** and our **Middle School and High School will be combined**.

## September Youth Events

- **Sept 4**      **No youth Group**
- **Sept 11**      **5:30-7:15pm @ FLC- Welcome Back**
- **Sept 18**      **5:30-7:15pm @ FLC-Making kite kits with Chuck for a youth fundraiser**
- **Sept 25**      **5pm-? @ FLC-Fall Festival for everyone  
(Youth will help with games)**



The September kids event will be the Fall Festival on Sunday, September 25 at the FLC. The Fellowship Team is planning an old fashioned festival with games and a cake walk! There will be a chili cook-off with baked potatoes so dust off your recipes. Please mark your calendars and bring a friend!

## COMING IN OCTOBER

**Wednesday Supper and Bible Study**

**October 5, 12, 19, and 26**

**Reverend Julie Schaaf will be teaching.**

# Missions

## Missions Focus for September is St. Luke's Free Medical Clinic

St. Luke's offers quality health care to uninsured Spartanburg County residents. The clinic meets their need for primary medical care, physician-ordered medications, mental health counseling and patient education.

### Items needed for St. Luke's

Toothpaste & toothbrushes	soap	hand sanitizer
deodorant	sunscreen	band aids
Combs or other products such as these		

### Other Nazareth Mission Opportunities

#### The Carpenter's Table

Our day to serve at TCT will be  
Saturday, September 3rd, from 8-12.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact  
Taylor Nunamaker. (864-992-5708)

#### The Spartanburg Soup Kitchen

Our next day to serve will be  
Saturday, September 24th, from 9-1.

If you would like to be a volunteer, please contact  
Chuck Holmes. (864-556-9702)

All items for these ministries can be brought in and placed in the bins provided and labeled St. Luke's, SSK, and TCT, in the Fellowship Hall.

 **RISE AGAINST HUNGER**® **PENNIES FOR HUNGER** offering will be received on Sunday, September 25th, and will go to the Rise Against Hunger Fund.

The community-wide Rise Against Hunger event we hosted last year was so well-received that we have decided to host an even bigger event this year. The 2022 Rise Against Hunger event is scheduled for Sunday, November 6th at 3:00 PM. This will be hosted in the Nazareth Family Life Center. Our goal is to have enough volunteers and raise enough funds to package 30,000 meals! This means we need about 150 volunteers and we need to raise \$10,508.40. One of the great things about Rise Against Hunger is that it is a very inclusive event. There are jobs for everyone - regardless of age or abilities! We hope you will consider joining us in this community mission event by volunteering on November 6th and / or by donating towards our goal.

Please use the link below to officially sign-up to volunteer and to donate, or contact Taylor Nunamaker at [tynunamaker@gmail.com](mailto:tynunamaker@gmail.com) or 864-992-5708.

<https://rah.secure.force.com/events/homepage?id=7013Z000002vsQEQQAY>

# Missions - Thornwell

Dear Nazareth Presbyterian Church,

Thank you so much for all the wonderful donations of towel sets, shoes, hygiene products, bedding, books and all the delicious snacks! Our cottages were so excited to receive some much need items. We are so grateful for your continued support of our children and families served by Thornwell!

You are lighting the way to hope and healing!

With joy, Jenny Turner



# Missions, continued



## DRIVE OUT HUNGER

**A Drive-Through Food Drive  
Benefitting The Carpenter's Table  
Outreach Center**

**Sunday, September 25th, from 1:30 to 3**

**Donations of food, household items, and monetary gifts (cash or checks made out to TCT) will be collected. Have your donations in your back seat or in your trunk and a volunteer with mask and gloves will collect the items.**

*Hosted by: Tyger River Presbyterian Church, Impact Community Church, Reidville Rd. United Methodist Church, Nazareth Presbyterian Church, Joy Lutheran Church, and Grace Bible Church.*

## *Notice*



Please check out the Flower Calendar in the SS hallway.

We need some spaces filled to finish out the year.

Thanks to all who have provided flowers to beautify the sanctuary! Many of our disciples provide beautiful flowers that are ordered from River Falls Florist. Our florist, Teri Taylor, has had to change her hours of operation at the store to the following: Monday through Thursday, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

If you need to order flowers for the sanctuary, please contact her during these hours. Terry has asked for the Nazareth family to pray for her and for her mother, Betty Wilson, who is now in Hospice care. Terry is spending most of her time there. Be in prayer for this family. Cards may be sent to:

149 C W Main St, Duncan, SC 29334

# FELLOWSHIP

## FALL FESTIVAL

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 5:00 PM-7:30 PM**

Ready for all things pumpkin, cooler weather and a really good time? Then join us for our Fall Festival to be held on September 25<sup>th</sup> from 5-7:30. There will be something for everyone. Pumpkin races, lots of games and an old-fashioned cake walk to name a few. Bring your best pot of chili to be entered in the chili cook-off. We'll add baked potatoes and all the fixings to go with it.

Sign-up sheets will be in the Fellowship Hall starting this Sunday. Make sure to get your name on the list. You will not want to miss this one!

**The winner of the cook-off will be determined by “penny votes”  
to support our Rise Against Hunger event  
scheduled for later this year.**



**You will not want to miss this!**

**Bring a friend for double the fun!**

**See you there!**

# College Students and Parents



We are updating our college roster! Please send your student's contact information so we can keep in touch throughout the year. Please send the info to [amy@nazarethpresbyterian.org](mailto:amy@nazarethpresbyterian.org).

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## ADOPT A COLLEGE STUDENT

College is an exciting and formative time of life that is filled with many adventures and experiences. It is also incredibly stressful and unsettling. Our NPC college students may be spread out over the Carolinas and might not be here on Sunday mornings during the school year, but they are still a valuable part of our church, and they need to know and feel that. For that reason, we would like to launch a new "adopt a college student" program. When you sign up to "adopt" one of these students, you are committing to one school year (2022-2023). We encourage you to send them upbeat cards/notes, gift cards or whatever you think of. If you, your Sunday School class, Circle or whomever would like to adopt a college student, please contact Margie Dobbins at 864-680-1957. Thank you!

# Presbyterian Women



## Ladies Who Lunch

**We will reconvene on Friday, September 9th, at 11:45 AM, in our special back room at Apollo's Restaurant on Hwy 29. Betty Hoenig gets extra credit for inviting a delightful friend last month! You can too!**

## Back Porch Circle

**We will resume at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, September 13th, at 192 Woodridge Drive. Julie has graciously agreed to continue teaching from the 2022-2023 Horizons Bible Study, Celebrating Sabbath. Books will be \$10 per member payable to Nazareth.**

**New members are always welcome.**

**Come to the back porch dressed for the weather.**

## Circle 3

**Circle 3 will be meeting this month on Tuesday, September 13th, at 7:00 PM. Bring a finger food to share as we enjoy an evening of fellowship and catching up with each other.**

**Visitors and new members are always welcomed!**

### Offerings for General Giving

**Offerings - as of 7/31/22 \$ 182,405.96**

**Expenses - as of 7/31/22 \$ 213,642.30**

**< \$ 31,236.34 >**

***Owe no man anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law." Romans 13:8***

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT



*Laura Price joined us as our Music Director in 2014. Laura is multitalented and shares her gifts of singing and playing several instruments as well as leading the choir to bring beautiful music to our worship services each week. Thank you Laura for all you do for Nazareth!*

## Buildings, Grounds & Safety

### Officers on Duty for Nazareth

Our church employs an off-duty deputy from the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department for each Sunday service and at other functions when requested. The officer arrives on site 30 minutes prior to the beginning of Sunday School, enters the building at the back (office) door and then tours the inside as well as the outside of our premises. He then moves his vehicle to the driveway opposite the sanctuary main entrance and throughout the service observes the cemetery side of the sanctuary, the main entrance, and the courtyard and Fellowship Hall doors. The officer is well equipped with a Nazareth radio and is in touch with two observers in the sanctuary and a nursery attendant throughout the service. We are very appreciative of Deputy Laurent Smith and Deputy Camryn Blackwell for their services.

### PLEASE Note this policy for use of NPC buildings

Anyone who needs to use the Family Life Center or the Fellowship Hall for a special event MUST visit the office and check the NPC Facility Calendar 1st, to see if that day and time is available. To avoid any overscheduling or confusion, please adhere to this policy. You may also call Debby at the office to check the calendar or to schedule use of the buildings.

**The Caldwell Cabin has, for many years, been used as storage for the Boy Scouts. Over the years it has fallen into disrepair and it has been determined that it will be quite costly to continue its upkeep. A family related to one of our church members has offered to pay for the removal of the cabin and moved to their land in Pickens County for them to restore. The Session has approved this arrangement. If any other church member has interest in the cabin and can pay for removal, please contact the church office by September 6, 2022.**

# History

## A Psalm of David

Oh Lord, You have examined my heart and know everything about me. You know when I sit down or stand up. You know my thoughts even when I am far away. You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know what I am going to say even before I say it, Lord. You go before me and follow me. You place your hand of blessing on my head.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand. I can never escape from Your Spirit! I can never get away from Your presence! If I go up to heaven, You are there; if I go down to the grave, You are there. If I ride the wings of the morning, if I dwell by the farthest oceans, even there Your hand will guide me and your strength will support me. I could ask the darkness to hide me and the light around me to become night, but even in darkness, I cannot hide from You.

To You the night shines as bright as day; darkness and light are the same to you. You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. Thank You for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous, how well I know it! You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in Your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed. How precious are Your thoughts about me, O God! They cannot be numbered! I can't even count them. They out-number the grains of sand! And when I wake up, You are still with me!

Life Recovery Bible

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,  
the courage to change the things I can,  
and the wisdom to know the difference, Amen.

Serenity Prayer

Carroll Caldwell, Historian

# Our Church Family

*“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

Please remember the following in your prayers.

## Members and Friends of Nazareth

Gerald Broome's grandson, Adam

Carroll Caldwell

Margaret Culclasure's sister, Joan Hoffmeyer

Margaret Culclasure

Marlene Cutler's sister, Jackie Fuller

Joe and Martha Fox

Jean Glass daycare provider for  
grandchildren, Allison Waters

Bob and Abby Hatchette

Amy Hatley

Kerry Henderson

Doug and Nancy Hughes in the loss of his  
father

Amy Jackson's sister-in-law, Theresa Schonar

Peggy Landers' friend, Mary

Tommy Lynch

Elaine McLeod's sister, Lois

Gladys Mills

Mary Pergrem's friends, Carol Pipkin

Debbie Ritzo and family

JoAnn Robertson's niece, Stacey Lancaster

Amelia Senn's brother, Robert Berry and wife  
Sandy

Julie's friend's son-in-law, Larry

Pat Smith's brother-in-law, Steve Semer

Cindy Steading's daughter-in-law, Jamie

Dave and Marian Stephen

Teri Taylor's mother, Batty Wilson

Lois Weneck

Dave and Lois Weneck's friends,  
the Green family and Donna

Carrie Wright and her husband Neal in the  
loss of Neal's father



### In the Armed Forces:

Jacob Schneider

CVN 76 USS Ronald

Reagan

Unit 100197 Box 2898

FPO AP 96616

Lee Hughes      Joey Menendez  
Reggie Hughes    Dorothy Ellis  
Albert Bianco    Eric Gallman  
Shelly Roberts   Mike Roberts  
Ridgway Jackson

### Missionaries and Mission Partners:

Mark Adams

Shalynn and Tyler Crawford

### Concerns of the World

Victims of flooding

Ukraine

**“If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from  
their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”**

**2 Chron 7:14**

Please call the church office when a concern needs to be added to  
or taken away from the list. Thank You.

## COMMITTEE Meetings for SEPTMBER

Worship	Sunday, September 4 @ 8:30 AM in the Session Room
Christian Education	Sunday, September 4 @ 8:30 AM in the GIFT Classroom
Evangelism & Nurture	Sunday, September 4 @ 9:00 AM in the Bridges Classroom
Buildings Grounds & Safety	Sunday, September 11 @ 8:30 AM in the Wagner Class
Fellowship	Sunday, September 11 @ 8:30 AM in Fellowship Hall
Missions	Sunday, September 11 @ 9:00 AM in the Missions Room

### OFFICE HOURS

*Julie* is in the office Monday-Thursday  
9:00am to 4:00pm.

*Debby* works in the office Monday-Thursday  
9:00am to 2:00pm.

*Amy* works in the office on Tuesdays and  
Thursdays, 9:00am to 3:00pm.

*In case of a pastoral emergency, please call Julie  
at 864-421-4750.*

### Flower Schedule

September 4	Communion
September 11	Bryan & Elaine McLeod
September 18	
September 25	Nancy Hughes
October 2	Communion
October 9	
October 16	Colin & Cyndy Urquhart
October 23	
October 30	



### UPDATED WEBSITE

Check out our updated website with  
weekly sermons available and directory.

Please Like us on Facebook  
[www.facebook.com/Nazareth.1765](http://www.facebook.com/Nazareth.1765)

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION for the  
**OCTOBER NEWSLETTER** will be due to Debby in the  
office on Monday, September 26th.

Moderators and all others,  
please adhere to this date. Thank you!

### Dear Church Family,

*Many thanks for letting us come and connect  
with the congregation again while we were in  
the states. Our Sunday with you guys was the  
highlight of our trip—not just because we had  
a chance to share about our ministry, but also  
because of the wonderful things happening  
through the church. Thanks for all you are  
and for all you do!*

*Tyler and Shalynn Crawford*

*Our entire family is grateful for your support  
during my mother's illness and loss. The  
prayers, cards, comforting words, and support  
will always be remembered. Thank you for  
surrounding our family with love.*

*Sincerely, Anne Brewer*

*Thanks to everyone for all your prayers,  
positive thoughts, conversations, and notes!  
They mean so much to me. I am so blessed to  
be a part of such a wonderful, caring and  
loving church family!*

*James Cantrell*



*Dear Nazareth,*

*Thank you for the  
many calls, cards and  
prayers during Ben's surgery.  
He is doing well and we appreciate  
the care.*

*Blessings,*

*Beth and Ben Smart*

# Celebrate Birthdays and Anniversaries

## SEPTEMBER

- 02 Mike Baier
- 02 James Cantrell
- 03 Kerry Henderson
- 05 Robert (Rock) Friday
- 06 Ella Kern
- 07 Cassie Yarborough
- 09 Anne Brewer
- 09 Jan Ellis
- 10 Gladys Mills
- 11 Richard Cansler
- 12 Jacob Cansler
- 12 Dwayne Pergrem
- 16 Amy Jackson
- 17 Nicholas Cansler
- 22 Dale Allen
- 24 Kathy Allen
- 28 Jeff Hayes
- 29 Debbie Balltrip
- 30 Kathryn Kotecha



## SEPTEMBER

- 01 Paul & Tiffany Nobles
- 09 Bryan & Elaine McLeod
- 10 Steve & Debbie Balltrip
- 20 Tim & Angela Shiflet
- 20 Joel & Jessica Watts
- 26 Gene & Kathy Cothran
- 27 Larry & Robin Whitfield



## OCTOBER

- 02 Lane Barker
- 07 Joan Houghton
- 09 Alex Jones
- 10 Tom Brewer
- 10 Tyler Evans
- 10 Debbie Ritzo
- 18 Gayle Mason
- 19 Mason Barath
- 21 Joe Barath
- 21 Lisa Hayes
- 21 Ava Mathis
- 22 Emily Baker
- 23 Kim Evans
- 24 Robert Cook
- 25 Martha Fox
- 25 Margie Dobbins
- 26 Leo Misenheimer
- 27 Debby Keaton
- 27 Louis Womble
- 29 David Stephen
- 30 Dunnie Bibb
- 30 Drew Whitfield

## OCTOBER

- 01 Ben & Beth Smart
- 01 Lance Allen & Marjorie Warren
- 02 Leo & Aletha Misenheimer
- 10 Kerry & Laura Henderson
- 14 Chuck & Karen Holmes
- 17 Lou & Cindy Buttino



# SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 The Carpenter's Table 8-12
4 Worship 8:30 CE 8:30 Evan & N 9:00  No Youth	5  LABOR DAY Office closed	6	7  Choir 7:00	8	9 Ladies Who Lunch 11:45	10
11 BG&S 8:30 Fellowship 8:30 Missions 8:30 GENESIS DAY Back to regular SS classes  Youth group resumes 5:30	12  Handbells 5:30	13 Back Porch Circle 10:00  Circle #3 7:00	14  Choir 7:00	15	16	17
18  Youth @ FLC 5:30	19  Handbells 5:30 Session 7:00	20	21  Choir 7:00	22	23	24 The Soup Kitchen 9-1
25 Pennies for Hunger offering  Fall Festival 5:00 Youth	26  Handbells 5:30	27	28  Choir 7:00	29	30	