



The Informer

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Love God Supremely, Love Others as Yourself, Share the Gospel of Jesus

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FALL FESTIVAL TRUNK OR TREAT

This Sunday, October 22

5:00pm



We will begin with Trunk or
Treat in the parking lot
followed by food and games
In the annex.

STATE MISSION GOAL: \$2000.00

RECEIVED TO DATE: \$868.00

NEEDED: \$1132.00

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 10/22

Sunday School 10:00am

Morning Worship - 11:00am

Trunk or Treat..... 5:00pm

Monday, 10/23

Handbell Practice..... 7:00pm

Tuesday, 10/24

Ensemble Practice 6:00pm

Wednesday, 10/25

Prayer/Bible Study..... 6:30pm

Youth & Children's Bible Study..... 6:30pm

Adult Choir Practice 7:30pm

Thursday, 10/26

Men's Ministry 7:00pm

SERVANTS October 22, 2017

NURSERY AM

Keitha Walls

USHERS

Victor Googe, Larry Manuel

Butch Sauls, Brumitte Sanders

GREETERS

Jan & Glory Thomas

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Jacob Oswald

OCTOBER 22 TELLERS

Charles Rowell & Tripp Williams

NO SNACK SUPPER

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P.O. DRAWER 820
FAIRFAX, SC 29827

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

National Health Care Rehab, West Columbia:

L. R. Thomas

Oak Brook Health & Rehab: 920 Travelers Blvd., Summerville 29485 - Dot Whitson (Rm. 115A)

JEH Nursing Home: Jacqueline Kears, Delores Brunson, Jean Ferguson, Hazel Mathis, Celia Jones, Betty Sanders, Mary Reid

Briana's Residential Care: Hilda Rahn

St Matthews Convalescence Center: Omma Lee Folk, Box 157, 601 Dantzler St., 29135

Emerald Gardens Assisted Living: 201 Overland Dr., Greenwood, SC 29646 (Rm. 315) - Ann Tyler

At Home: Willis Bowers, Katie Champagne, Joe & Louise Cook, Sara Cook, Clyde Furman, Sara Gallagher, Donnie Jones, Cindy Hauptmann, Horace Kears, Kathi Loadholt, Peggy Loadholt, Billy Main, Mott McElveen, Dale Robinson, Susan Royster, Patti Sullivan, Latrelle Still, Cambridge Stone, Glory Thomas, Mary Williams, Romonda Williams, Myrna Wilson

Friends & Family: Ginger Altman, Raymond Bennett, Thomas Benton, David Brabham, Peggy Brabham, Sara Jo Brown, Jimmy Burbage, Rev. Gene Carroll, Holly Coker, David Cook, Jr., Hank & Claire Coath, Sally Chassereau (Libby's sister), Holly Coker, Charles Cribb, Jeff Dole, Linda Dyches (Cecelia's sister-in law), Laney Futch (niece of Lynn), Faye Gooding, Leslie Flenikan, Carrie Grubbs (Virginia's granddaughter), Todd Grubbs, Dot Harvey, David Horn, Ron Huber, Betty Hutto, Richard Koenig, Ann Keys, Marie Lee, David Lightsey, Gabriel Litchfield, Margaret Long, Annelle McCaskey, Lexie Monroe, Resa Monts, Ross McMillan, Betty Overstreet, Rev. Allen Perry, Azilee Polk, Reid Porter, Jr., Shirley & Penny Robinson, Cliff Rogers, Helen Ruble, Megan Sharpe, Howard Simmons, Elizabeth Smith, Eugene Smith, Mark Smith, Sharon Snider, Rachel Stanford, Mary Ann Stanley (Sadie's Sister), Nellie Sullivan, Patti Sullivan, Tim Tomlinson, Rev. Steve Vassar, Rachel Wiggins, Romonda Williams, W. K. & Elese Windham, Blanche Winstead, Harriet Ann Wooldridge, Dennis Wright

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY: John Mark Cook, Major Lindi Kirkland, US Air Force

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

Sermon Topic and Scripture

Matthew 15:1-9

“True Worship”

Discipleship

“Trusting in the God Who Cares for you” from “Anxiety and Panic attacks” by Jocelyn Wallace.

God's Cure for Anxiety

You can tell that God understands anxiety when you read in the Bible that anxiety weighs down your heart (Proverbs 12:25). When you're experiencing anxiety, you do feel weighed down. Everything feels heavy, oppressive, incomprehensible, and unmanageable. This is an accurate description of how it *feels* to live without a relationship with God. We are not all-powerful. We are not all-knowing. Without God, our lives *are* scary and out of control because we live in a world where bad things can and do happen. Thankfully, God has designed the perfect cure for anxiety. In Christ, there is a safe place to bring your worries and fears. Christ has paid for the sins that separate you from God and made it possible for you to “approach the throne of grace with confidence so that [you] may receive mercy and find grace to help [you] in [your] time of need” (Hebrews 4:16). When you trust in Christ for forgiveness, you become a dearly loved child of God (Ephesians 5:1). All the promises in the Bible about how God as your heavenly Father and Jesus as your Savior, you can be sure that no matter what, you will be able to turn to God for comfort, help, and protection and He will never desert you.

Many times when fear turns into anxiety we have concluded that God is either not good enough or not powerful enough to stop something from happening that will ultimately harm us. In many cases when we are anxious it is because we have decided that we are the only person we can trust to keep ourselves safe. Ultimately these thoughts frame God as someone who is disconnected from us and not working for our good. But knowing Jesus as your Savior keeps you from being disconnected to God in the middle of your fears. The cross of Christ proves that God is all-loving. He gave His life for you. The resurrection shows you that God is all-powerful—He defeated death. So when you feel anxious and afraid, instead of trying to fight your fearful thoughts on your own, turn toward Jesus. You will find that he is completely trustworthy.

Trusting the God Who Cares for You

The apostle Peter told Christians who were facing suffering to “cast all your anxiety on Him [God] because He cares for you” (1 Peter 5:7). Everywhere you look in the Bible, God is giving His people word pictures that describe the ways He cares for His people. According to Psalm 91, God is our refuge and fortress, saving us from our enemies, sheltering us under His wings, and helping us not to fear because He is with us when we call on Him. Hebrews 7:25 says that God is able to save those who draw near to Him. In Isaiah 40:11 we learn that God takes care of us like a loving shepherd, gathering us in His arms, carrying us close to His heart, and gently leading us. Even though the valleys of the shadow of death we are to fear no evil because God is with us (Psalm 23:4). God really cares about His children! The next time you are full of fear, instead of trying to figure everything out or trying to deal with your fears on your own, turn to the God who cares about you and ask for His help.

Not only do we sometimes fear that God does not care for us or have our best interests at heart, but sometimes we fear that He is not great enough or powerful enough to intervene. Isaiah 40 uses beautiful language to help us understand how much bigger God is than we are, describing Him as holding the world in His hand, calling the stars by name, and giving strength to the weary.

The greatest cure for anxiety is to learn to trust this God who is good enough to care about your most intricate fear and great enough to deliver you from any evil that might harm you. This does not mean that nothing bad will ever happen to you. But in Christ Jesus, God has taken care of our biggest and most real danger—separation from Him (Romans 6:23)—and He's also redeemed our suffering. When you struggle with fear and anxiety, remember that God is with you to help you experience His love in even more personal ways while growing you to be more like Christ

FIFTH SUNDAY SING

Fifth Sunday Sing will be at MT Arnon Sunday, October 29th at 5:30pm. Bring finger foods.

VISITATION TEAMS

Visitation Team 4 Nix & Peggy Loadholt, & Marsha Ann Wiley will visit the week of October 22.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The youth will be collecting items for Operation Christmas Child again this year. Please bring the item requested for each month and put in the box in the church office. For October we are asking for hair elastics, stretchy headbands, & barrettes. **Plastic boxes are at church to be picked up. If you need anymore call Nettie. Boxes are due at the church by Sunday, November 5th.**

Men's Ministry will meet on Thursday, October 26 at 7:00pm.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

High School Students are invited to the Forge Student Ministry Retreat November 17th –19th in Asheville, NC with Grace Church. This will be a great time for fun and discipleship, and very low cost. Please let Pastor David know if you are interested.

COUNSELORS NEEDED

Counselors are needed for the Men's Wild Game Banquet (Thursday, October 26, 2017, 7:00pm at Jubilee Market in Varnville). Four different opportunities for training are available: Tuesday, September 26 and Tuesday, October 3 at 1:00pm and 7:00pm. Please let Butch Sauls or Pastor David know if you are interested in this ministry opportunity.

SAVE THE DATES:

On January 29-30 (Monday & Tuesday) a photographer will be here to take pictures for a new church directory. We will make appointments for each household between 1:00pm to 9:00pm on those days when we get closer to January.

OUR RECORD SPEAKS 10/15/2017

SS Enrollment/Attendance	128/62
SS Visitors/New Members.....	1/0
Morning Worship.....	76
Building Fund	\$50.00
State Missions	\$120.00
Cemetery	\$40.00
Budget Offering	\$2746.00
Budget Needs (weekly).....	\$3798.00