



## –In Between–

July 15, 2020

## **Handbell Ministry**



On Friday, July 3, our handbells—ten cases!— were boxed up and shipped to Jeffers Handbell Supply in Irmo, South Carolina for cleaning and refurbishment. This is

not the first time they've received this kind of love, but with our oldest set going on forty-plus years, they were due a bit of care.

I had an ulterior motive for getting our handbells taken care of. It occurs to me that though we cannot sing as a group for the foreseeable future, we might be able to ring handbells if we do so while masked and practicing social distancing. I'm thinking we could start with two handbell choirs for adults and youth combined: one for experienced ringers, and one for beginners. And I'd love to add a handbell choir for grade school children.

The key to having any handbell choir is attendance. For example, in a singing group, though the absence of voices affect the sound of the choir, their absence doesn't necessarily mean the group cannot sing. But in a handbell choir, trying to ring without all the ringers present is like trying to play a piano with a lot of keys missing. It's awfully hard to do.

As I begin to dream about what our handbell ministry might look like in the fall, it would be helpful if you would let me know if you are interested in being part of a handbell choir. Knowing how to read music is not required. It's helpful, but not required.

Grace & peace,





# Worshiping Together July 19, 2020 The 7th Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 am

How? Genesis 22: 1-14 Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

Our worship services are broadcasted live over the radio at 99.3 FM, and on our church Facebook page.

## Sanctuary Renovation Progress

On Monday July 13, the painting of the walls and ceiling was completed. On Tuesday July 14 morning, the crew began putting up ceiling trim. You may keep abreast of the progress through photos posted on our church Facebook page.





## SERVING IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST

## Week of July 19-25, 2020

#### Minister on Call

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam, 398-7321

#### **Deacons on Call**

Carolyn Arrington, 395-2175 Charles Hughes, 287-8403

#### Sound System Operator—July 19

Walt Pierce

#### Floral Offering—July 19

Trey & Harriet Byrum

#### Food Pantry - July 24

Melanie Byrum

## **Transition Team**

The transition team has compiled the survey information and will present it to our deacons at their July 21 meeting. Shortly thereafter, they will present their report to the congregation. Thank you for your input and patience as we continue to discern best practices during this coronavirus pandemic.

## Congratulations



to Gayle Congratulations Cross on the birth of twin great grandchildren. Michael Timothy, and Elizabeth Grace, were born on July 11,

and are the children of Will & Sara Bratton. Will is the son of Carolyn Cross Bratton. Welcome to the world. Michael and Elizabeth!

## **Organist Update**

On Sunday, July 5, Belinda Butler informed us that due to health issues related to her back, she is resigning her position as organist. Her last Sunday with us will be July 26. Belinda has served us well since she began her ministry with us on January 5 of this year. Let us pray for the health of her back so that she may be able to return to an organ bench and use her God-given gifts to the glory of God. Thank you, Belinda, for partnering in ministry with us.

## Week of July 26-August 1, 2020

#### Minister on Call

Rev. Anita Thompson, 395-0061

#### **Deacons on Call**

Claire Presley, 287-6132 Peggy Springfield, 287-5119

#### Sound System - July 26

Rick Burns

#### Floral Offering—July 26

Don & LuAnn Joyner

### Food Pantry - July 31

Henry Byrd & Margaret Winn





## 2020-2021 Nominating Committee

Our Nominating Committee is beginning the work of matching members' ministry gifts with places of service for the 2020-2021 Church Year which begins September 1. If you are sensing a call to serve in a particular ministry, please let a committee member know of your desire. Members are Malcolm Copeland, J.C. Doughtie, Joyce Leary, Arlene Raiford, Lou Riddick, and Mary Ann Umphlett.

## **Deacons' Meeting**

Tuesday, July 21 ♦ 6:00 pm ♦ via Zoom



#### July 12, 2020

Weekly Need 9,130.28 Weekly Offering 8,484.54 Difference -645.74

YTD Needs \$ 255,647.84 YTD Offerings \$ 219,611.57 YTD Difference \$ -36,036.27

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