



SPRING HILL MESSENGER September 2022

Dear SHPC Family,

I am writing to you with my heart looking forward and back. I am so incredibly grateful for this summer and the gift of a Sabbatical. I felt some apprehension and reluctance taking a Sabbatical during a great time of transition in the life of the church. While it had been planned for months, suddenly life changed. Buz announced he was leaving, I learned I was pregnant, and things were different. However, our church leaders continued to encourage me to take the Sabbatical. Over and over I heard, “We are going to be alright.” The wise sages were and are right. The church will continue to move forward into the future with Christ as the head of the church. We do not have to fear because God goes before us, behind us, and with us, surrounding us with love and grace. Throughout my Sabbatical, I felt God’s peace and presence surrounding me, and I pray that you did as well. In such momentous times of transition, we do not walk alone but surrounded by God and one another.

Throughout my Sabbatical, Moses’ call story from Exodus 3 kept coming up for me. Moses sees the burning bush when he leads his flock, “beyond the wilderness” (Exo. 3:1). Moses’ “turns aside” to see this great sight, to see why the bush is not burned up. I wonder how many people missed the burning bush; how many people did not go far enough? How many people were too busy to turn aside when the bush caught their eye? Moses goes beyond his ordinary route; he goes on a little adventure, beyond even remote wild places to see the burning bush. The Sabbatical gave me time to go further than my ordinary schedule takes me and what I saw was miraculous. I saw multiple rainbows on walks, waterfalls, climbed mountains, put my feet in the sand. I was able to notice the miracle of buses, trains, planes, dogs, chipmunks, sunrises, sunsets, and playgrounds through my child’s eyes. I come back from this time refreshed and renewed, excited to be with you, especially as we discern in this wilderness time God’s plans for our church. May we continue to adventure into the future, going beyond the wilderness, turning aside to behold burning bushes and miracles beneath our feet.

This Fall, we have so many opportunities to engage in ministry together. I can’t help but look forward to this in anticipation and hope. I hope you will join us, **Sept. 11 at 9:00 am for a Rally Day potluck breakfast** to explore how you can grow in your faith. Maybe Sunday School is something you don’t normally do or have gotten out of the habit of — I encourage you to go beyond the wilderness and try something new. We will have people sharing opportunities to engage in mission and education; then will leave time for people to visit and learn more in small groups about class offerings.

Following worship from 11:30-12:30 pm, we will kick off our Children's and Youth Ministries.

We are combining forces so families can hear about BLAST, Children's and Youth Choir, Crossroads (our afternoon youth opportunity) and Youth Group at one time. Don't worry a special snack (ice-cream sundaes) are an incentive and are sure to ruin your lunch, so we hope you will join us!

Now is the time for us to dig into our faith, to invest in our church and each other. I hope you will join me in celebrating a fall full of opportunities to see burning bushes. We don't have to go far. God's miracles are right here, just a little further than the ordinary.

Grace and Peace,

Anna



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Rally Day will be held on **September 11** and we need everyone to **participate!** Please join us in the **Bullard Building** at **9:00** for a **potluck breakfast** and to see and hear about new offerings for education and service. **Bring your favorite breakfast casserole or side dish** and gather for good food, fellowship and new educational and service opportunities. There will be a sign-up sheet in the hallway and narthex, or call the Church office **251-342-1550**, so we know how many to expect. **Children, youth, and adults are all encouraged to attend and will split up to meet their classes.**

Youth and Children's Ministry Kick-Off

Sunday, Sept. 11, Youth and Children's Ministry Kick-Off at 11:30-12:30 Following worship children, youth, and their families are invited to the Fellowship Hall for an ice-cream snack. Children and youth families will then split off to get a preview of the fall, meet leaders, ask questions, and engage in music!

Music Notes



Randy Sheets, Director of Music Ministries and Organist

Sing and Play in a New Season!

Our new musical season is beginning, and we are eager to invite all persons to explore how they might get involved in music ministries. Participating in music at our church provides unique opportunities that cannot be duplicated elsewhere, simply because they are rooted not only in the Christian faith, but in the traditions and theology of our own church. You are invited to investigate the opportunities at SHPC in music. Contact Randy Sheets for more information (rsheets@shpc.us), 342-1550 ext 15).

Chancel Choir (Randy Sheets, director)

Who: Adults

When: Wednesday nights 7:00-8:30. Sundays at 10:00 a.m. (already in progress)

Who: music reading ability, the ability to sing harmony parts, and experience in choir, concert band, or study of a musical instrument is helpful

Spring Hill Ringers handbell choir (Randy Sheets, director)

Who: Adults

When: Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 p.m.; begins on Sept. 7

Notes: This is a competitive auditioned group requiring strong music reading skills.

Youth Singers (Randy Sheets, director)

Who: Youth, grades 6-12

When: Sundays, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., beginning Sept. 18

Children's Choirs (Susan Hoitt, coordinator of children's music ministries)

Who: Children K-3 through Grade 5

When: Sundays, 5:00-6:00 p.m. beginning Sept. 18



WITH SINGING

Rally Day and Children's Choir Kick Off

Sunday, September 11, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

All children grades K3 – 5th grade and families are welcome.

Come join us for games, singing, playing instruments and ice cream!



MEMORIALS

*Betty Bass Elizabeth Britton
Sue Mclean*

Richard & Betty Allen

Dick & Norma Baymiller

Marie Canfield

Marcie DeVore

Sara Martin

Dick & Lila Pennington

Marolyn Rounsaville

Gregory & Jamie Saad

Robert & Leslie Sweeney

Lynn & George Womble

Wes & Elisa Baldwin

Frank & Jane Callahan

Mitch & Sally Cobb

Billie & Russell Goodloe

Luann Rice

Gayle & Diane Robbins

Frederick & Linda Rue

Cort & Susan Schlichting

Louis & Jane Williams

Prayer List

Coco Anderson, Neal Andrews, Cammie Belue, Kaye Bradshaw, Richard Britton, Janet Clarke, Sherry Coats, Edith Cox, Matt Coleman, Mike Dixon, Ruth Fitzgerald, Amy Britton Foshee, Gwen Greer, Ann Hafner, Bill Harris, Jackie Martin Haskew, Lauren Henson, Andrea Wiik Hinton, John Langus, Bill Layfield, Steve Ledbetter, Kay Korb, Gordon Marsh, Sara Martin, Marilyn Michel, Margaret Miller, Betty Minto, Emma Munderloh, Mary Owen, Art Powell, Bernice Riedeburg, Cort Schlichting, William Shreve, Gladys Sheets, Ransome Sheets, Janie Sims, Carol Sumrall, Malcolm Sumrall, Patricia Trammell Stinson, Pat Stoll, Gayle Underwood, Nicholas Vrakelos, Babs Warren, Helen Wells, Louis Williams, Ann Wilson, Forrest Wilson, Ronnie Wright and all our military members: Haley Harrell, Susanna Hedrick, Ashton Rubio, Stuart Rubio; The children in our Big Brother/Big Sister program: Angelo, Eddie, Maylasia, & Milaishia.

THE PRAYERS AND THE SYMPATHY OF THE congregation go out to Mary Lena Harper on the death of her sister, Ruth Califf Coyle on August 1, 2022 in Charleston SC.



Adult Educational Offerings for the Fall

Bible Discovery Class

PURPOSE: To gain a deeper understanding of the Bible and how it speaks to our lives today.

WHERE: The Conference Room in the Main Building

WHEN: 9:00 – 10:00 Sunday mornings

JOIN US: Whether you are a long-time participant in this class, or this is your first time to attend, we welcome you!

Current Issues Class

PURPOSE: To explore how our faith intersects with our community, our state, and our world.

WHERE: The Fellowship Hall in the Main Building

WHEN: 9:00 – 10:00 Sunday mornings

WHAT: This Fall, come hear a variety of speakers that will talk about work happening in our local community and issues important to us including: Mark Dixon, President of A+ Education Partnership, Charmaine Cabbagestalk, Director of the Goodwill Easter Seals preschool program, Jeri Stroade, Executive Director of Dwell Mobile, Dr. Bill Brown on faith and science, Mary Hunter Davis our Young Adult delegate to general assembly, and more.

JOIN US: We welcome people of all ages to this class!

Alphabet Generations (X, Y, and Millennials Too) Bible Study

PURPOSE: To gain a deeper understanding of the Bible, support one another, and have time for Fellowship.

WHERE: Upstairs in the Youth Room in Bullard Building

WHEN: Sunday afternoons at 5:00 pm. 1st and 3rd Sundays will end with dinner

JOIN US: We hope that anyone in their 20s, 30s, and 40s will join us during this time for Bible Study, conversation, fellowship and fun!

The Word in the Week Bible Study

PURPOSE: To gain a deeper understanding of the Bible, support one another, and have time for Fellowship.

WHERE: The Fellowship Hall

WHEN: Eight Wednesdays from 12:00-1:00 pm from Sept. 21-Nov. 9

WHAT: This Bible Study is led by our pastors. Join us this Fall as we study the stories of Advent, “While We Wait.”

JOIN US: We welcome people all ages for this Bible Study!



OUTREACH COMMITTEE

"In August, The Outreach Committee assembled old-fashioned church fans which were sent to our sick, some staff members and some homebound members for encouragement and special birthdays. The front of the fan featured Chad Weinard's beautiful line drawing that the church has used and enjoyed for many years. Members signed the back of the fans. In addition, members had submitted favorite Bible verses and these were printed and sent with the fans and also with any sympathy cards."

- Clair Hamlin

OFFICER TRAINING CLASSES

The classes during the Sunday school hour will be from **Sept. 18 – Oct. 30**. The new officers will be installed in worship Jan. 8, 2023.



Statement as of July 31, 2022

Total Annual Budgeted Revenue	\$ 863,515
Year-to-date Received	\$ 474,796
Other Receipts	\$ 18,179
Total Receipts	\$ 492,976
Benevolences	\$ 31,290
Salaries and Services	\$ 306,306
Programs	\$ 13,886
Office Expenses	\$ 14,071
General and Plant Services	\$ 134,576
Other	\$ 16,159
Total Expenses	\$ 516,288
Excess Receipts over (under)Expenses	\$ (23,312)



SHPC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: FALL 2022



Dear Children and Families,
We listened to our desires and concerns and are trying a new pattern for the fall! KidLead continues each Sunday morning at 9:00 am. Choirs and Alphabet Generations will meet weekly. We will have two opportunities that alternate.

- 1st and 3rd Sundays we will have dinner again in David's Diner from 6:00-6:30 for the families of Alphabet Generations group and the youth group (our choir kids are welcome to come)!
- 2nd and 4th Sundays we will have BLAST and Crossroads from 11:30-12:30 pm (will include a snack). BLAST is for children preK3-5th grade. Crossroads is what we are calling our after-church Youth Ministry opportunity to make the schedule clearer.

On the back of this page is a fuller description of our children's ministry opportunities this fall and a weekly schedule.

I am pregnant with our second son and due Dec. 12. I am so grateful for Susan Tomlinson and our children's ministry volunteers who continue to lead our children in every season.
Grace and Peace,
Anna

IMPORTANT 2023 DATES TO PUT ON THE CALENDAR

- Mar. 18: Open Play, 8:30-9:30 am
- Mar. 30: Easter Egg Hunt
- June 12-15 or 19-22: Vacation Bible School
- July, 2023 Middle School Montreat (for 5th-8th graders)

CROSSROADS, BLAST, CHOIR, AND ALPHABET GENERATIONS SCHEDULE

Sept. 11	Rally Day Breakfast at 9:00 am, Bullard Gym; Crossroads, BLAST, and Choirs Kickoff 11:30-12:30 Fellowship Hall
Sept. 18	KidsLead at 9:00 am Alphabet Generations & Choirs at 5:00 pm, Dinner & Youth Group 6:00 pm
Sept. 25	Crossroads and BLAST at 11:30 Alphabet Generation and Choirs at 5:00 pm
Oct 2	Alphabet Generations & Choirs at 5:00 pm, Dinner and Youth Group 6:00 pm
Oct. 9	No Choir, Blessing of the Animals Vespers
Sat. Oct. 15	Open Play, 8:30-9:30 am on the playground (a time for the playground to be open for families to play)
Oct. 16	Alphabet Generations & Choirs at 5:00 pm, Dinner and Youth Group at 6:00 pm
Thur. Oct. 20	Trunk or Treat, 5:30-6:30 pm
Oct. 23	Crossroads and BLAST at 11:30 Alphabet Generation and Choirs at 5:00 pm



SHPC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: FALL 2022



FALL OFFERINGS

- **KidsLead** is for children grades preK3-5th grade and will be each Sunday morning at 9:00 am. During this time our kids will learn a guiding Scripture then engage in mission and worship leadership projects.
- **BLAST** stand for Bible Learning and Sharing Time. It is for children PreK3-5th grade. We will meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 11:30-12:30 in the Fellowship Hall for a snack, Bible Story, art, and games.
- **Children's Choir** is for children preK3-5th grade. They will meet each week at 5:00 pm.
- **Crossroads** is what we are calling our Sunday afternoon youth ministry experience. It is for youth grades 6-12.
- **Alphabet Generations Bible Study** meets each week on Sundays at 5:00 pm in Bullard. It is for Generations X and Y (and Millennials too)

KIDSLEAD, CROSSROADS, BLAST, AND CHOIR SCHEDULE (CONT.)

Oct. 30	Alphabet Generations & Choirs at 5:00 pm, Dinner and Youth Group at 6:00 pm
Nov. 6	Alphabet Generations & Choirs at 5:00 pm, Dinner and Youth Group at 6:00 pm
Nov. 13	Crossroads and BLAST at 11:30, Alphabet Generations and Choirs at 5:00 pm
Nov. 20	No Evening Activities
Nov. 27	Crossroads and BLAST at 11:30 Choirs at 5:00 pm
Dec. 4	Choirs at 6:00 pm
Dec. 25	No Activities
Jan. 1	No Activities

SPECIAL KIDSLEAD DATES IN 2022-2023, 9:00 AM

- Oct. 16, 23, 30: Children's Sunday Planning
- Oct. 30: Children's Sunday and 2nd graders receive Bibles in worship
- Nov. 6: Bible 101 for Kids
- Dec. 18: Christmas Pageant (meet in Sanctuary at 9:00 am)
- Dec. 25 and Jan. 1: No KidsLead (or other Sunday school Classes)
- Jan. 29: Presbyterian 101 for Kids
- Feb. 19, Apr. 9, May 28: No KidsLead



SHPC YOUTH MINISTRY: FALL 2022: CALLINGS AND CREATIVITY

Dear Youth and Families,
We listened to our desires and concerns and are trying a new pattern for the fall! Our youth will be meeting each Sunday for Sunday School and an afternoon opportunity. We will have an alternating schedule each week.

- 1st and 3rd Sundays we will have dinner again in David's Diner and Youth Group from 6:30-7:30 pm.
- 2nd and 4th Sundays we will have BLAST and Crossroads from 11:30-12:30 pm (will include a snack). Crossroads is what we are calling our after church Youth Ministry opportunity to make the schedule clearer.
- Weekly, choirs and Alphabet Generations will meet.

On the back of this page is a fuller description of our youth ministry opportunities this fall and a weekly schedule.

Our theme this fall is Callings and Creativity. We will hear how people live out our faith through their jobs, passions, and gifts while practicing some of those gifts including writing, art, music, and more. We hope this will help us each deepen our faith in our daily lives and work.

I am pregnant with our second son and due Dec. 12. I am so grateful for our advisors, teachers, and mentors who will continue to lead youth ministry while I am away.

Grace and Peace,
Anna

YOUTH GROUP, CROSSROADS, BLAST, AND CHOIR SCHEDULE

Sept. 11	Rally Day Breakfast at 9:00 am, Bullard Gym; Crossroads, BLAST, and Choirs Kickoff 11:30-12:30 Fellowship Hall
Sept. 18	Alphabet Generations & Choirs at 5:00 pm, Dinner & Youth Group 6:00 pm
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SHPC YOUTH MINISTRY: **FALL 2022: CALLINGS AND CREATIVITY**

FALL OFFERINGS

- **Youth Group** is for youth grades 6-12. We are meeting the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 6:00-7:30 pm in the Bullard Building for dinner and food, study, fun, and fellowship.
- **Crossroads** is what we are calling our Sunday afternoon youth ministry experience. It is for youth grades 6-12. We will meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 11:30-12:30 in the Fellowship Hall for a snack, study, fellowship, and fun.
- **BLAST** stand for Bible Learning and Sharing Time. It is for children PreK3-5th grade. We will meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 11:30-12:30 in the Fellowship Hall for a snack, Bible Story, art, and games.
- **Youth Sunday School** is for youth grades 6-12. It meets Sunday mornings at 9:00 am in the Bullard Building.
- **Youth Choir** is for youth grades 6-12. They will meet each week at 5:00 pm in the choir room.

YOUTH GROUP, CROSSROADS, BLAST, AND CHOIR SCHEDULE (CONT.)

Nov. 6	Alphabet Generations & Choirs at 5:00 pm, Dinner and Youth Group at 6:00 pm
Nov. 13	Crossroads and BLAST at 11:30, Alphabet Generations and Choirs at 5:00 pm
Nov. 20	No Evening Activities
Nov. 27	Crossroads and BLAST at 11:30 Choirs at 5:00 pm
Dec. 4	Youth Christmas Party from 4:00-6:00 pm @ SHPC, Bring Dirty Santa Gift; Choirs at 6:00 pm
Dec. 25	No Activities
Jan. 1	No Activities

IMPORTANT 2023 DATES TO PUT ON THE CALENDAR

- January 7-8, Youth Lock-In @ SHPC, 6 pm Saturday-after church Sunday
- March 26: Youth Sunday
- May 7: Graduation Sunday/Senior Breakfast/Montreat Commissioning
- June 3-10: High School Montreat
- June 12-15 or 19-22: Vacation Bible School
- July, 2023 Middle School Montreat

September

<i>SUN</i>	<i>MON</i>	<i>TUE</i>	<i>WED</i>	<i>THU</i>	<i>FRI</i>	<i>SAT</i>
Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Schools 9:00 a.m. BLAST & Crossroads 11:30 a.m. Choir & ABC Generation 5:00 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. — 1st & 3rd Sunday 6:30 p.m. Youth Group — 1st & 3rd Sunday				1 Tai Chi	2	3 AA
4 Worship	5 Labor Day Office closed Mobile's Singing Children	6 Committees Outreach Mobile's Singing Children	7 PWCT Chancel Choir	8	9	10 AA
11 Worship-Rally Day Crossroads BLAST Choirs	12 Mobile's Singing Children	13 Mobile's Singing Children	14 PW Day Circle PW Night Circle Chancel Choir	15 Tai Chi	16	17 Presbytery Meeting Yeoman Workday AA
18 Worship — Communion Alphabet Generation/Choirs Youth Group	19 Mobile's Singing Children	20 Newsletter Deadline Mobile's Singing Children Session Diaconate	21 Congregational Care Chancel Choir	22 Tai Chi	23	24 AA
25 Worship Crossroads BLAST Alphabet Generation/Choirs	26 Mobile's Singing Children	27 Mobile's Singing Children	28 Chancel Choir	29 Tai Chi Spiritual Writing Group	30	