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Birthdays

- 01.....Paul Moller
02.....Rick Rezzelle
03.....Rita Channell
04.....Bill McGowan
Carmen Omary
05.....Jon Kunze
10.....Joseph Doss
11.....Gary Cowart
14.....Tammy Hendrick
15.....Dana McWhirter
18.....Esther Doss
22.....George Bowen, Sr.
25.....Chris Nabholz

HAPPY
Mother's
DAY!

Memorial Day Picnic May 29, 2023

Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for a Memorial Day Picnic at the Lake! We'll be out at Pointes West Army Resort in Appling beginning at 10:00am and we'll enjoy food, fellowship, and fun for the day! Come and go as you would like. Lunch will be served at 1:00pm. Hamburgers, hot dogs, paper products and ice will be provided.



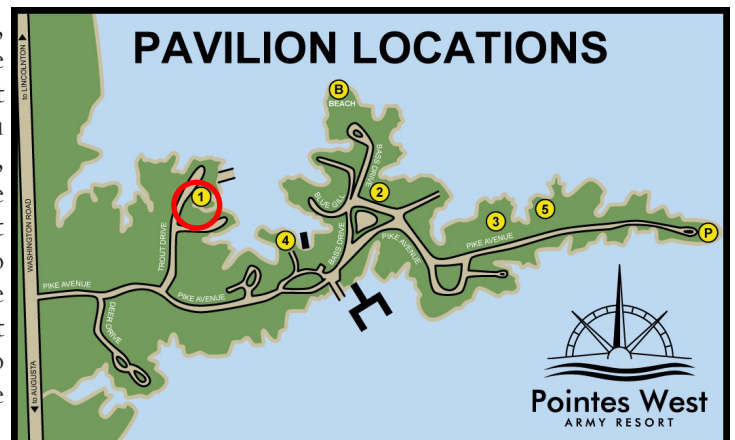
What: Churchwide Memorial Day Picnic

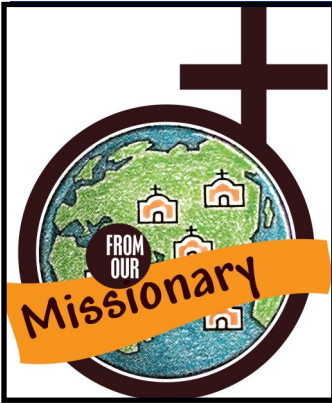
When: Monday, May 29 beginning at 10:00am

Where: Pointes West Army Resort (6703 Washington Rd, Appling), Pavilion 1 (see map)

What to Bring: Last name beginning with A-H bring sides, K-S bring desserts, T-Z bring drinks.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 24 so that we know how much meat to purchase. When you arrive at Pointes West, there may be someone at the gate. You do not need a military ID to get it, but you may have to tell the guard that you are going to Pavilion 1 and you are with the Doss party.





**Tim & Lana Higginbotham – North American Indigenous Ministries,
British Columbia, Canada**

Tim, born in Columbia, SC, moved to Canada as missionary kid in 1970. He met Lana in high school and graduated from Seattle Pacific U. in 1991. Lana, born in Richmond, BC, currently works for Trinity Western University as the Director of Operations for the School of Human Kinetics. They have three adult children - Brooke 30, Jordan 28 and Madison 26.

Ministry:

2021 will go down as a watershed year in Canadian history. At this point, around 7,000 unmarked graves with remains of Indigenous children have been discovered at residential schools...institutional partnerships between the federal government and churches...whose purpose was 'civilizing and Christianizing' indigenous children. These schools began in the late 1880s and the last one closed in the 1990s. Legitimate outrage has been expressed at the government and Catholic Church in particular. The Canadian government has instituted an annual Day of Truth & Reconciliation to remember and honor all those who died or attended these schools.

For an organization involved in missions work to First Nations/Native Americans...this put us squarely in the cross-hairs...but has also given unprecedented interest in our mission and mandate. Individuals and churches turned to NAIM asking legitimate questions like, "Why did this happen? How can we learn more? What can we do?" The church is being given an opportunity to become involved in a healthier way in communities and individuals that saw the dagger instead of the crucifix. I've told many that my heroes in the faith are Indigenous people, who often have more reasons not to trust God but choose to in spite of the history. We've continued to navigate life in the face of Covid and how it impacts ministry. Thankfully, things in both countries seem to be loosening up...gatherings of believers are happening. But the US/Canada border remained closed most of the last 20 months and is now only open for crossing if one is fully vaccinated and can prove a negative test. We have staff on both sides of the border. We are not immune to the greater stressors in society. Thankfully, I feel my call and passion for Native ministry as strong as ever...not that it doesn't ebb and flow some days, but I am grateful to be involved.

Prayer:

- ♦ We are having a challenging time, made more so by Covid, recruiting and retaining millennial generation staff. Over the past year, we have had a 'generational expert' train personnel on dynamics with millennials and Gen Z.
- ♦ As a result of the above, we are making 4 significant changes organizationally.
 - Develop training for better equipping in ministry & disciple-making.
 - Look into coaching training for all supervisors.
 - Integrate younger perspectives into leadership.
 - Integrate a Teams model for engaging with staff.
- ♦ Please pray for wisdom as we balance the programs of NAIM with the regulations from government agencies.

**Go and Make
Disciples**

American Heritage Girls

Our American Heritage Girls troop is winding down! The girls are wrapping up their badge work and getting in some last minute service hours. Most recently, they helped sort donated items for the clothing swap that was held at Christ Church in April. Unfortunately, our spring campout had to be cancelled due to weather, but we're already planning a campout in the fall. As we



wrap this year up, we're looking forward to a Mother Daughter Tea and our end of year Court of Awards in May.



Trail Life Trek

On April 15, Woodlands Trailmen stepped back in time at the Under the Crown event at the North Augusta Living History Park. Several adult trailmen were participants in the event (Zack Goodwin: Tavern keeper, Mike Adams: Trader; John Norkus: Surveyor). A highlight of the weekend was the Sunday church service conducted by Parson John (Frank Jarboe) in the Willow Springs Meeting House.

Navigators and Adventures had their annual paintball outing later in the month.

Trailmen are diligently at work completing final tasks to receive awards at our Spring Court of Honor on Monday, May 9. Zach Linton organized several other trailmen to clean up some of our flower beds as part of his Timberline award.

Other upcoming activities are:

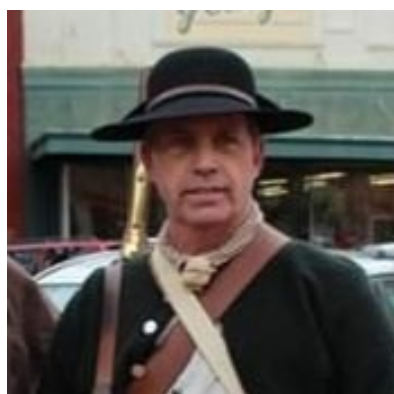
5/9 - Service project setting up the Family Y pool for the summer.

5/15 - Court of Honor

5/27 - Flags in at Bellevue Memorial Gardens

6/3-5 - Peak 3 training in Mountain Rest, SC. The goal of this training is to equip adult leaders to run an outdoor activity while trailmen employ the patrol method.

6/11-17 - Summer Adventure at Oconee State Park, SC. Trailmen will prepare all their meals in camp. We will be taking several hikes in the park as well as rafting on the Chattooga River and a morning of zip lines.



Music Ministry News



The Augusta Youth Chorale will have their Home Concert on Sunday, June 4 at 4:30 p.m. in our Sanctuary. The concert is free and you are invited. Invite your friends and come celebrate with us!



Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Adult Bible Study, Augusta — The Augusta Bible Study meets at the home of Ron & Sue Moncrief the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. for fellowship and teaching. Bruce Wannemacher is leading the study of the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7.

Adult Bible Study, Evans — The Evans Bible study & fellowship meets at the home of Warren & Linda Jones, 503 Thompkins Lane, Evans, 7:00–9:00 p.m., on the second & fourth Thursday of the month. Bruce Wannemacher is leading a study of “The Sermon on the Mount” in Matthew 5-7. Contact Linda Jones at 706-231-3758 if you have questions.

Mens Bible Study — Join us for Men’s Bible Study on Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m. for one hour sessions every other week. Please contact Johan Hubenthal (vanhubenthal@gmail.com; 706-833-5871) with questions.

Ladies Evening Bible Study — The Ladies Evening Bible Study meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. The study is on the parables so each lesson can stand alone. The first Thursday of the month the study will be at the Boyd's home and the 3rd Thursday the study will be at Martha Folley's home. Please send an email to Charlotte Jewett at cjjewett@att.net if you want to be added to the roster or if you have questions. Study guides will be available in the narthex the Sunday before the meeting.

Ladies Spring Bible Study — Ladies of Christ Church, please join us on Friday mornings for an inductive Bible study. We are studying the book of Luke using Lydia Brownback's book titled *Luke: Good News of Great Joy*. Our study will run for 10 weeks. If you have any questions, or would like more information, please email Rachel Mellick at rachelmilner01@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

Ladies Online Prayer Group

“...in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.”

Philippians 4:6



Join the ladies of Christ Church as we unite in online prayer twice weekly: Sundays 4:00–5:00 p.m. and Thursdays, 7:30–8:15 p.m. (focusing on America). Contact Charlotte Jewett (cjjewett@att.net; 706-731-0191) or Maria Russell (edmarmam@gmail.com; 706-726-1703) to receive the online invitations.

Youth Ministry News

Praise for the Lord's Provision of a Director of Youth

The Director of Youth Search Committee and the Session of Christ Church are pleased to announce Mr. Nick Hunn as the Director of Youth for Christ Church, Presbyterian.

Nick has a Bachelor's in Interdisciplinary Studies with a focus in Religion from Liberty University and has served in the U.S. Air Force for seventeen years. Nick and his wife, Lydia, have five children (Cora, Calvin, Lottie, Vera & Penny) and have been members of Christ Church since 2021. We are excited for what the Lord will do in the lives of our youth through Biblical teaching, building community, and serving our neighbors in Greater Augusta.

In Christ Alone,
Ora Parish



Wednesday Night Fellowship



May 17 — July 19 Summer Schedule

Make plans now to join us on Wednesday nights in the summer for food and fellowship! We will kick things off on May 17th with dinner at 5:30 followed by "The Riot and the Dance". Stay tuned for more details on the rest of the summer and be sure to invite your friends, family, and neighbors!

Servant's Schedule

Elder Greeters

May 7:	Mike Boyd & <u>Ora Parish</u>
May 14:	Charles Bowen & <u>Rick Rezzelle</u>
May 21:	John Clark & <u>Derrick Smits</u>
May 28:	Johns Dunsmore & <u>Mike Boyd</u>

(Those underlined also serve for evening announcements & prayer)

House Deacon

May 7:	Marino De Reinzo
May 14:	Stephen Dyer
May 21:	Rich Fishel
May 28:	Matt Fliermans

Ushers

May 7:	Ed Russell, Charles Kimbrell, Joe Beasley
May 14:	Eddie Zamora, Jason Clark, Marion Butler
May 21:	Joe Beasley, Allen Richardson, Dan Campbell
May 28:	Marion Butler, Andrew Norkus, Gary Cowart

Save the Dates

- ◇ Summer Wednesday Night Schedule, May 17 — July 19
- ◇ Memorial Day Picnic — May 29
- ◇ AYC Concert — June 4 at 4:30 p.m.
- ◇ Vacation Bible School — June 19–23
- ◇ RYM Summer Camp — July 3 — 7

Children's Ministry News

VBS: Keepers of the Kingdom

June 19–23, 9:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

How can you help?
Please pray for the planning team, all volunteers,
And the children who will be attending this event!

Join the Battle!

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. (Ephesians 6:10-11)



Your presence is requested for a royally fun time at Vacation Bible School 2023! All festivities will take place at the royal castle located at Christ Church, Presbyterian 4201 Southern Pines Drive, Evans, Georgia. Young knights ages 4-12 will meet daily June 19-23 from 9:00 A.M – 12:00 noon. Grab your sword, shield, and armor. There is a battle afoot!

The drawbridge will be lowered, the gates opened, and we will charge into a world brimming with kings and kingdoms, majestic castles, fire-breathing dragons, and epic battles. Amidst *Keepers of the Kingdom*, the knights and fair maidens learn how to be a part of God's kingdom and **wear the armor of God**.

Knights and fair maidens will learn how they can be part of God's kingdom through salvation in his Son and will be equipped with the armor of God to become Keepers of the Kingdom and stand strong in today's battle for truth.

Please visit www.mycp.faith for registration or simply fill out a form in the Childrens Building or Covenant Hall.

May

Weekly Sunday Schedule

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship • 6:00 p.m. Worship

Please pray daily for our CC,P supported missionaries and missions agencies listed in italics. Those listed without their last name are serving in harm's way.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	7:00 p.m. American Heritage Girls 7:00 p.m. Trail Life	7 p.m. Augusta Bible Study	7:05 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study	6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer 10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
	<i>Institute for Creation</i>	<i>Heritage Academy</i>	<i>RUF/Indiana Univ.</i>	<i>Palmer Home for Children</i>	<i>Child Evangelism Fellowship</i>	<i>American Heritage Girls & David & Erin Pervis</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 4:15 p.m. AYC Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship	7:00 p.m. American Heritage Girls 7:00 p.m. Trail Life		7:05 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	6:45 p.m. Evans Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Diaconate Meeting	6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer 10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	9:00 a.m. American Heritage Girls – Tea 8:00 a.m. Churchwide Work-day
<i>Tim & Lana Higginbotham</i>	<i>Jenn</i>	<i>Noah & Karleigh Stephens Cheryl Crocker</i>	<i>RUF/GA Southern</i>	<i>Jay & Nancy Greg & Julieann</i>	<i>Dick & Nancy Baggè</i>	<i>Karl & Debbie Dortzbach</i>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 12:00 p.m. Fellowship Lunch 4:15 p.m. AYC Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship	7:00 p.m. American Heritage Girls 7:00 p.m. Trail Life	7:00 p.m. Augusta Bible Study	5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal 6:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday Activities 7:05 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	6:30 p.m. Session Meeting 6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study	6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer	
<i>Kermit & Cheryl</i>	<i>Chris & Cary Drinkard Kim & Greg Green</i>	<i>Doug & Amy Nunziata Jews for Jesus</i>	<i>Rick & Betty Aschmann</i>	<i>Glenn & Charlene</i>	<i>Bob & Andrea Burnham</i>	<i>Tim & Lana Higginbotham</i>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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<i>Steve & Sherri Letchford</i>	<i>Nathanael Miller</i>	<i>Steve & Sherri Letchford</i>	<i>Eliseo & Paula Guadagno</i>	<i>Kermit & Cheryl</i>	<i>Kurt & Pat Nelson</i>	<i>Augusta Care Pregnancy Center</i>
28	29	30	31	2	3	4
9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 4:15 p.m. AYC Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship	Memorial Day Churchwide Picnic		5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal 6:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday Activities 7:05 p.m. Choir Rehearsal			
<i>Nathanael Miller</i>						



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