

This Month at Deer Park

Wednesday, March 15th

5:30PM Praise Team rehearsal
6:30PM Celebration Choir rehearsal
Bible Study (Prov.16:1-8) /Prayer (CH)
Student Ministry Bible Study (YR)

Thursday, March 16th

10:00AM Food Pantry

Saturday, March 18th

9:00AM OCC Work Day (FH)

Sunday, March 19th

9:45AM Sunday School
11:00AM Sunday Morning Service
4:00PM Half-Notes - choir for ages 3-5 (ED)
PraiseKidz! - choir for 1st-6th gr. (CO)
5:00PM AWANA
Discipleship Study (CH)

Monday, March 20th -- First Day of Spring!

Tuesday, March 21st

10:00AM Food Pantry
Bill & Bob are home from Romania!

Wednesday, March 22nd

1:00PM Go-Getter's May cruise mtg. (FH)
5:30PM Praise Team rehearsal
6:30PM Celebration Choir rehearsal
Bible Study (Prov.16:9-16)/Prayer (CH)
GA's (missions - girls, 1st-6th gr. (ED)
Student Ministry Bible Study (YR)

Thursday, March 23rd

10:00AM Food Pantry

Friday, March 24th

7:00PM Baby Shower to benefit LPC (FH)

Saturday, March 25th

10:00 -11:30AM Meet & Greet for Lee Howell
and his family (FH)
6:30PM Movie Night for Youth and C&C Class

Sunday, March 26th

9:45AM Sunday School
11:00AM Sunday Morning Service
4:00PM Half-Notes - choir for ages 3-5 (ED)
PraiseKidz! - choir for 1st-6th gr. (CO)
5:00PM AWANA
Discipleship Study (CH)

Tuesday, March 28th

10:00AM Food Pantry
7:00PM Bee Club Meeting (FH)

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ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

(FH) Fellowship Hall • (CH) Chapel • (ED) Education Building
(CG) Church Grounds • (YR) Youth Room • (CR) Conference Room
(OS) Off Site • (CO) Choir Room • Sunday School Class • (SW) Senior Wing

Support Ministries

MARCH 19

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Stephen Jones / Tom Huckabee (ALT)
NURSERY WORKERS: Juanita Stephens / Gail Morse / Betty Cook
CHILDREN'S CHURCH - 1's & 2's: Kelly Cason / Morgan Cobb
CHILDREN'S CHURCH - 3's, 4's & 5's:
Megan Swatt / Whitney Lolie / Shandi Crosby

OFFERING COUNTER: Susan Marsh / Mark Hawkins

FOOD PANTRY: Mar 21 — Richard & Gale Smith
Mar 23 — Loretta Hill / Clyde McCammon

MARCH 26

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Matt Dawson / David Horton
NURSERY WORKERS: Juanita Stephens / Gail Morse / G.Retherford
CHILDREN'S CHURCH - 1's & 2's: Christine Rogers / TBD
CHILDREN'S CHURCH - 3's, 4's & 5's:
Ava Jones / Pam Carr / Katie Kite

OFFERING COUNTER: Audrey Carpenter / Tom Huckabee

FOOD PANTRY: Mar 28 — Caroline Cramer / Sylvia Simpson
Mar 30 — Kelly Cason / Tom Fasnacht

Why serve? In January we were reminded that we should serve because the Bible tells us to. In February we were reminded that not only should we serve, we should serve with zeal! But did you know that God gave each of us a gift that we are to use to glorify Him? These are often referred to as our "Spiritual Gifts." Knowing your Spiritual



Gift can make it much easier to know the best place for you to serve. To learn more about Spiritual Gifts, go to www.spiritualgiftstest.com/ There, you can take a complete spiritual gift test, or you can go to www.lifeway.com/lwc/files/lwcf_myccs_030526_spiritual_gifts_survey.pdf and take one there. Be honest. Be thorough. Then be ready to serve!

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Deer Park BAPTIST CHURCH

March 15, 2017

Newsletter



Please join us on March 25-26 as we welcome Lee, Amy and Rachael Howell as Lee comes in view of a call to serve as our Family Ministry Pastor.

Meet the Howells on
Saturday morning, March 25 from 10:00-11:30
for coffee and doughnuts in the Fellowship Hall.

Lee will be preaching on Sunday, March 26 and then the church will vote immediately after the service to extend the invitation for Lee to be our Family Ministry Pastor.

Lee has served in Baptist Collegiate Ministry at Charleston Southern University and Florida State University as well as on church staffs in South Carolina, Texas and Florida. Lee also founded Awaken Men Ministries in 2013. Lee is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

From Your Pastor

Before Jesus ascended back to the Father, He gave His followers (including us) our assignment. In Matthew 28:19-20, Jesus said, "Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." In other words, followers of Jesus must be disciples who are making disciples who make disciples.

I have been on a spiritual journey for several years that has led me to believe that the weakness that we are experiencing in the church in America is a weakness in making disciples, people who are truly living their life in obedience to the Lord and helping other people do the same thing. Spiritual formation, growing as a disciple of Jesus, must be the focus of the church.

Last year, I began working with our Management Team to re-structure our staff to reflect a commitment to spiritual formation at Deer Park. Through this restructuring, the Management Team created the position of Family Ministry Pastor. The Family Ministry Pastor will be responsible for helping to strengthen our discipleship, spiritual formation, across all age groups through our current and future ministries. The Family Ministry Pastor will mentor and supervise our Student Ministry Leader and Children's Ministry Leader when we fill these positions. The Family Ministry Pastor will work with our current Ministry Leaders to build a "discipling culture" throughout the ministries of Deer Park.

I am excited to announce that the Management Team is recommending that we call Lee Howell as our Family Ministry Pastor. I have known Lee and his wife Amy for 25 years and have enjoyed re-connecting with them as we have talked through and prayed through the opportunity for them to serve at Deer Park. I know that you all will love them and be blessed as you get to know them and their heart for the Lord.

I am looking forward to seeing how God uses each one of us for His Kingdom purpose as we grow stronger in Him and walk in obedience to Him.

I love being your Pastor!
Stephen

LPC Baby Shower

Ladies of Deer Park, you are invited to a **Baby Shower to benefit the Lowcountry Pregnancy Center!**
Friday, March 24th
7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Desserts and punch provided. Call Diane in the office for a list of specific items needed (and not needed).

Go-Getters Senior Ministry

Some of the Go-Getter's will be setting sail April 30th for a Western Caribbean cruise on the Royal Caribbean "Allure of the Seas". There is only a short window of time remaining to still sign up, so if you're interested, please contact Fran Bath (843-572-1862) or Judy Rush (843-553-1844) for more information.

On December 7th-8th, the Go-Getter's will have their annual Christmas outing — an overnight trip to Myrtle Beach to see the Alabama Theater Christmas show, dine at Benjamin's Seafood Buffet and do some Christmas shopping. On the way home, there will be a tour of Hopsewee Plantation, a pre-American Revolutionary plantation. Cost for this trip is \$251 per person based on 35 people going.

If you are age 50 and above, be sure and mark your calendars for the next Go-Getter's meeting on Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

OCC Work Day

Our first Operation Shoebox Work Day was so successful, the OCC Team decided to have another one! This one is Saturday, March 18th from 9:00 - noon in the Fellowship Hall. If you can sew, please bring your sewing machine, extension cord and whatever else you need to be comfortable. If you want to get started sewing before Saturday, Myra Huckabee has graciously put together cinch-sack "kits" for anyone to take home and sew at their leisure. They are located in the OCC Work Room in the Senior Wing. Take as many as you'd like...

If you can't sew, you can still be very helpful cutting, folding, stuffing, labeling, or pinning! All you need to bring is your servant attitude and a smile. There will be something for everyone to do!

Pre-School Workers Needed

There are currently some openings for volunteers in our Pre-School Department. If you are led to fill one of the following spots, please contact Kim Howard at 843-614-7151.

- Toddler Room Assistant for 1st Sundays
- Toddler Room Assistant for 4th Sundays
- Toddler Room Assistant for 5th Sundays
- (2) Assistants in 3's, 4's & 5's Room on 5th Sundays
- Nursery helpers during AWANA (Sundays 5-6:30 p.m.)

As per church policy, background checks will be required.

GA Baby Bottles



The Girls in Action (GA's) are excited to announce that they were able to collect \$1,111 with their Baby Bottle collection benefitting the Lowcountry Pregnancy Center! The girls would like to thank everyone who donated — it was their best collection ever!

Sing Unto The Lord...

This is a personal invitation to join our choir. Why do we have a choir? Because a choir inspires and leads the congregation to worship our Father God in song. Did you know that singing isn't an option in Scripture? It's a command.

Colossians 3:16 says "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God."

Psalms 63:7 declares "For you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy."

James 5:13 states "Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise."

And as you study Scripture on this point, you'll notice that sometimes singing gives birth to joy and sometimes joy gives birth to singing. But persistently in Scripture, joy and singing are bound together. You can't study one of those two biblical themes without encountering the other.

If you struggle for joy – SING! If you are joyful – SING! Remember the Apostle Paul sang even while in prison! His faith gave birth to joy and joy gave birth to singing! In God's perfect design and in His perfect understanding of the human condition, He has bound joy and singing together for His people. So all you singers out there, jump aboard the choir wagon and SING!

Pam McCall



Romania Trip Prayers

Please continue to keep Bob Ketchem and Bill VanBibber in your prayers while they are in Romania. Pray for good health and for hearts that have been prepared to hear and accept the Good News of Christ. Bob and Bill will return on Tuesday, March 21st.

Men's Retreat Opportunity

God isn't looking for men who are deemed successful, impressive, or even good by the world's standards. He's looking for ordinary men who are willing to go all in. If YOU are willing to go ALL IN for Christ, be sure to sign-up on the sign-up sheet hanging on the bulletin board in the Missions Corner. Guest speakers include: Kurt Warner, Darryl Strawberry, and the Benham Brothers. The conference is Aug. 18-19 in Greenville. Registration starts at \$59. Call Will Walker at 843-781-1150 for more info.

Youth Event

Youth — Join the College & Career Class for "Movie Night" at the Kucklick's (117 Messina St, Moncks Corner). Saturday, Mar. 25th at 6:30p.m. Bring your favorite ice-cream topping!