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The May Gathering is May 17 at 7:30 pm at McBee Chapel United Methodist Church MAIN STREET, CONESTEE, SC 29636 for an evening of fellowship and worship. Bring your favorite snacks to share.

May 2019 Edition



Dear Community,

I hope that this newsletter finds you all well. Mother's Day, graduations, and the end of the school year are approaching quickly. Many have made plans for vacations this summer. I for one am gearing up for Salkehatchie in Spartanburg the last of June. I have a friend who posted on Facebook all of the things she has going on in the month of May. Honestly, I don't know when she will have time to take a breath. In the midst of all this life, I hope that you will place time with God at the top of your "to do" list.

I find when I'm the most busy, I lose a little of myself and get distracted from the things that are most important. I am thankful for Friday night Gatherings when I get to meet up with you, my brothers and sisters. I may have had a tough week, but spending time in fellowship and worship with you refreshes my soul and sets me back on track. I'm thankful to have made such close friendships within our community that I have people I can call when I need lifting up. Matthew 18:20 reminds me that "when 2 or 3 are gathered in my name, there am I among them." So blessed are we to have a Lord and Savior who is such a loving father, who desires to be with us...among us.

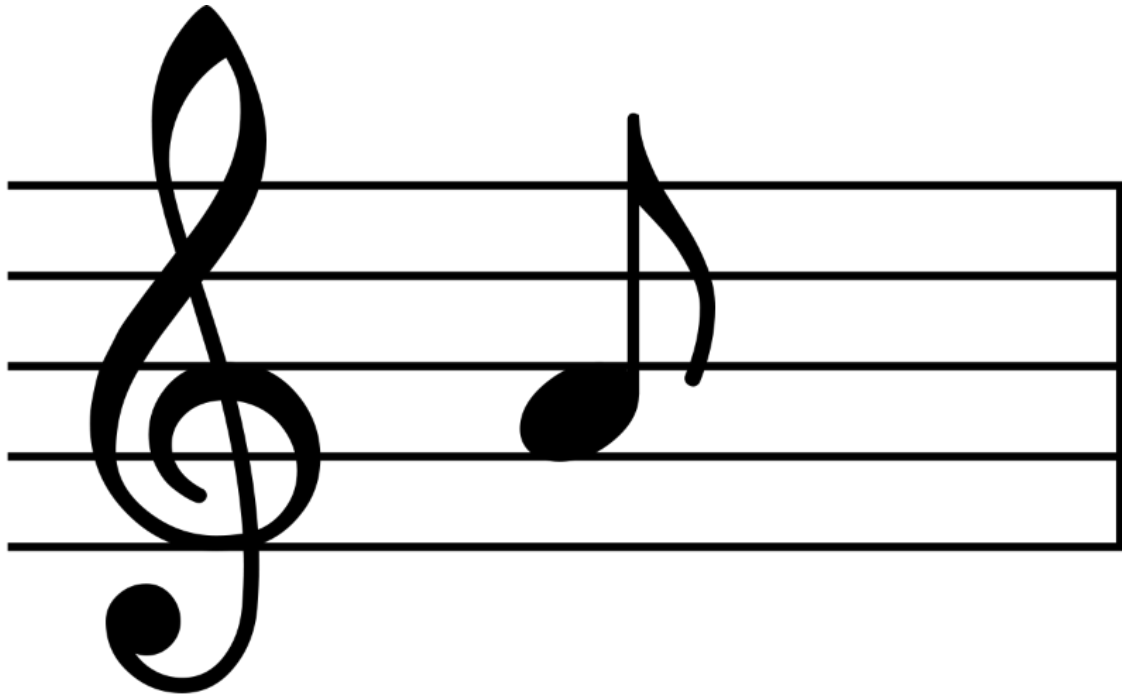
I hope that I will see you in the coming months. May you be blessed with the passing of each day. Until we meet again de colores,

Mandi Cox

Reunion Groups

Remember the Fourth Day Talk on your walk that Sunday afternoon? We all received our Reunion Group card and were encouraged to be accountable and participate in a reunion group. Are you currently participating in one? Would you like to? Would you like to start a new one?

Contact Janet Sandifer at 864.979.6713 or email sandiferjanet@gmail.com for more information.



Hey all!

If your church is hosting an upcoming gathering, and you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email me at aka4music@gmail.com!

Make sure the subject reads, "Emmaus Gathering," and then either the month you are hosting or your name.

Example: Emmaus Gathering - Rooster UMC

And if you would like to have the chance to be asked to serve on an upcoming music team, please email me what instruments you play and/or your vocal range at aka4music@gmail.com, with "Emmaus Music" as the subject.

Thank you so much, and DeColores!

Amanda Thompson - Music Chair, Chrysalis Flight 21, Table of Anna



If you can knit or crochet, please consider helping out our “Chicks With Sticks” group. We have provided shawls for the Conference Room on the Walks, and we on ongoing project of making dishcloths for table agape at the Walks. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Dale Henry at 864-357-4022 or fourthdaymom@yahoo.com.

Dale Henry
Walk 27

Sacred Honor and Awesome Responsibility

Having just finished another 4-hour Webex training by the Upper Room, I am reminded of what a sacred honor and awesome responsibility it is to serve as the Foothills Emmaus Community Spiritual Director. I have the opportunity to help select clergy for the walks, train them according to the guidelines given to us by the Upper Room, dedicate communion at gatherings, send-off, and closing, and minister to the community as needed. Wow! What a joy it is to serve along side such a great group of people!

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, 23-24, 28 says, “Be joyful always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” “May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one

who calls you is faithful, and He will do it.”

“The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.”

Phillip Stout CSD

As you know, prayer is a vital part of our Foothills Emmaus Community. We have focused prayer time during the Walks, but we also encourage prayers now as the Teams are forming, and Pilgrims are being invited to the Walk.

We like to pray for you too! If you have special prayer needs you would like for the Community to pray about with you, please contact me at fourthdaymom@yahoo.com, or 864-357-4022.

DeColores!
Dale Henry
Prayer Chair



Upcoming Events

What a wonderful Gathering last month! I haven't seen that many people at a Gathering in years! Praise the Lord for His bountiful love and grace.

Our April Gathering will be on April 26, a week later than usual due to Good Friday being on our usual meeting date. We will gather at St. Mark UMC in Greenwood, the by-pass campus. That's the one on the 72 by-pass, beside Wal-Mart. Let's fill the sanctuary that night.

Gathering dates and locations for the rest of the year are:

May 17 McBee UMC, Conestee

July 19 New Beginnings UMC, Boiling Springs

August 16 First UMC, Laurens

September 20 Trinity Campus of Buncombe Street UMC

October 18 Mauldin UMC

November 15 Hopewell UMC

December 14 UMC of the Covenant **Note: Saturday 6:30 covered dish dinner followed by worship**

Looking forward to seeing everyone at St. Mark on April 26,

Sandy Shaffer, Worship Chair

Please remember that just like your walk, we will have plenty of Agape snacks. So don't forget to bring some snacks to the gatherings to share with the community



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