JULY 2024

## **SPC SPOTLIGHT**

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### Stockbridge Presbyterian Church "The Church at the Bridge" Bridging the Gaps in People's Lives! Between us and God With family, friends & neighbors Between us and our local community Between us and a world in need Henry County Georgia

## from Pastor Kristy

We have been looking into the Fruits of the Spirit. The idea of Random Acts of Kindness is something that can be done anytime, anywhere. Planned or unplanned.

What if you had a basket of goodies for the Amazon Delivery Person to take.

What if you let someone go ahead of you in line at the store?

What if you shared a smile and a kind word to a stranger?

Our kindness radiates through our goodness that is a gift from God. God created us as GOOD and loves us as we are.

Share you stories of kindess to each other to share good news. WE NEED GOOD NEWS THESE DAYS! snd We definately need more kindness

https://www.randomactsofkindness.org

Dear Beloved Church and Congregation,

I want to thank each and everyone of you for your many prayers, love and concern for me over the past several months. You have all been such faithful friends. I thank God I have such a beautiful church family. Your prayers have helped so much. I will be getting a knee replacement in the next few weeks and I pray this will be God's will and all will go well. I continue to ask for your prayers. Thank you again for your love and support.

All services are Livestreamed on Facebook.





### Sermons in July

July 7th Fruit of the Spirit:

**Gentleness (Humility)** Galatians 5:22-23a, Matthew 11:25-30

July 14th Fruits of the Spirit: Self-Control Galatians 5:22-23a, Luke 6:1-12

July 21st **Guest Preacher: Betsy Turner** 

July 28th **Guest Preacher: Thaddeus Dixon** (Recent Grad from Columbia Seminary)

Pastor Kristy is at Montreat Youth Conference as part of the Planning Team. Thank you for supporting the larger church through her ministry time.

# Witness

## **Coat Closet**

PLEASE CHECK
GIVING TREE
Men's white
T-Shirts
all sizes! Men's
Briefs - 2XL
Men's jeans all
sizes!

Men's socks, belts, ties Men's sneakers - all sizes

## for Nursing Homes Ministry

Prayer for Families Who Have to Make a Decision

God of Wisdom, be with those families in the midst of discerning the next steps for their loved ones. It is difficult to think of the change that comes with aging, illness, and bodies that need extra care that home can't provide. Be with those who espeically are living far away and can't be nearby to visit. Be with those who don't know how communicate with their loved ones and have a hard time keeping in touch. Guide them to remember patience and have hope that healing comes though sometimes it is in the life everlasting. Amen.

## Joseph's Pantry

Please see our giving tree



## **Lives Between**

A Podcast that will feature a young person and someone in a later season in life.
Think of stories that may be great advice to share with a young person and how you might learn from their wisdom. Pastor Kristy is already working on topics and pairings.
Filming will start soon.

The podcast will be in video format on youtube and audio format on other platforms.

### **Sunday School 9:15 - 10:15 am**

Wired Word with Aaron Roberts In the Downstairs Parlor or on Zoom
Through the Bible with Jeffrey Cochran
Upstairs Classroom

### Women's Bible Study

We are taking the month of July off.

We are returning to study the Book of James on

August 22nd.

## **Per Capita Contributions**

Each year we contribute to the denomiation and that is split up to General Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery This year is \$28.80 per member

## **Financial Report for June**

Income \$11,516.71 Expenses \$15,096.49 Net \$-3579.78 as of 6/25/24

## Session Insights

### **Stated Meeting** May 5, 2024

The Session examined and received into membership Shannon Huggins by reaffirmation of faith and Lauren Huggins by affirmation of faith.



### **Clerk's Report:**

The Session received no communications in April 2024.

The Consent Agenda was reviewed for April 2024.

### **Resource Committee:**

The March 2024 financial statement was reviewed.

### **Witness Committee:**

No issues or recommendations.

### **Discipleship Committee:**

No issues or recommendations.

### **Pastor's Report**

Kristy discussed the church's graduates and receiving recognition and a gift from SPC. It was decided to give a monetary gift to Lexi and a tangible gift to Atlas and Tony. Kristy reported on the status of Carolyn Francis and Peggy Chase.

### **Old Business:**

The Session discussed the pros and cons of supporting the Stockbridge Youth/Senior Center. Motion to vote to approve an endorsement in support of the Stockbridge Youth/Senior Center to be sent to federal and state representatives. The Session decided to not endorse supporting Stockbridge Youth/Senior Center.

Betsy provided an update on funding options for Joseph's Pantry.

#### **New Business:**

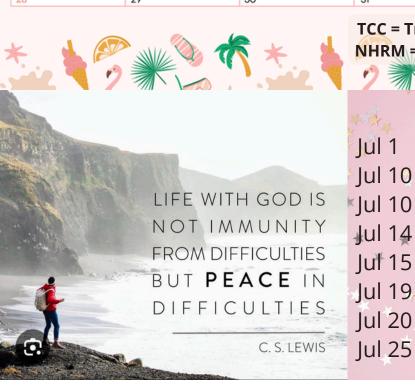
Kristy discussed applying for a Youth/Young Adult Grant from the Presbytery. The Session voted to endorse the work for which funding is requested.

Betsey provided an update on funding options for Joseph's Pantry being considered by the Witness Committee. Betsey reported she applied for Publix gift cards to be used in support of SPC missions. She should hear something in a couple of week.

There being no further business to conduct, Rev. Ray closed the meeting with prayer.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			5pm prayer	HAPPY 4TH		
30	7pm AA meets 1	7pm Boy Scouts	3 group NHRM	7pm AA 4	5	10am FA meets 6
9:00 Coffee Fellowship 9:15 Sunday School Communion 11:00 Worship 12pm Witness 1:00 TCC 73:00 NHRM	7pm AA meets	7pm Boy Scouts	5pm prayer group NHRM 10	11 <sup>7</sup> pm AA meets	12	10am FA meets
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TCC = Transformation Covenant Church

NHRM = New Hope Restoration Ministry

Amy Roberts

Krimson Mani

Jo Price

Paul Szeto

Carolyn Francis

Piet Huggins

Sydney Holloway
Mike Seal

Church Office is open Tuesday-Thursday 9am-2pm

Church Office will be closed July 4th for the holiday

#### THE SPC SESSION

Jim Beisner, Clerk of Session

### Discipleship

Witness

Earline Smith (26) Jo Linda Ingram (25) Betsy Sierra (26) Paul Szeto (26)

#### **Resources & Treasurer**

Kim Seal (24)

Thomas Baxter (25)