

Calendar of Events

SUNDAYAUGUST 2, 2026
9:45 AM Sunday School
10:40 AM Elder Prayer Time Kistler Parlor
11:00 AM Worship ServiceSanctuary
5:00 PM Youth Group

TUESDAY AUGUST 4, 2026
7:00 AM Men’s Prayer Breakfast Takis’

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 5, 2026
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY.....AUGUST 6, 2026
11:00 AM Exercise Class..... McCown Bldg.

SUNDAYAUGUST 9, 2026
9:45 AM Sunday School
10:40 AM Elder Prayer Time Kistler Parlor
11:00 AM Worship ServiceSanctuary
5:00 PM Youth Group

TUESDAY AUGUST 11, 2026
7:00 AM Men’s Prayer Breakfast Takis’

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12, 2026
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 15, 2026
10:00 AM Circle 3 McCown Bldg.

During summer we will publish bi-weekly newsletters,
so please be sure to read each edition closely.

WORSHIP – AUGUST 2

Sermon: “The Wonder of Becoming Like a Child”
Scripture: Mark 10:13-16
Hymns: “Higher Ground”
“On Christ the Solid Rock”

WORSHIP – AUGUST 9

Sermon: “Is Anything Impossible for God?”
Scripture: Mark 10:17-31

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Taking Our Children to Jesus:
Spurgeon’s Call to Pray for Our Children

A father, so heartbroken, turned to his Master, the disciples, and their Master. His son was in terrible shape, and all hope seemed lost, but when the father, filled with faith, followed Jesus’ command, “Bring him unto me,” the evil one was soon banished from the child. (Mark 9:19)

Children are such a precious gift from God, but they also bring a lot of worry. They can bring immense joy or deep sorrow to their parents, and they can be filled with the Holy Spirit or caught in the grip of evil. In every situation, the Word of God offers a simple remedy for all their troubles: “Bring our children to Jesus.”

Oh, how we wish we could pray more fervently for them while they are still babies! Sin is there, and our prayers should start to fight it. Our cries for our children should come before they even step into a world of sin. In their early years, we will see signs of that silent, deaf spirit that won’t pray right or hear God’s voice in their hearts, but Jesus still says, “Bring them unto me.”

When they grow up, they might sink into sin and hate God; then, when our hearts break, we should remember the great Physician’s words, “Bring them unto me.” We must never stop praying until they stop breathing. No situation is hopeless as long as Jesus is alive.

Sometimes, the Lord lets his people be pushed to the edge so they can truly see how much they need him. When children act out and show us how powerless we are against their sinful hearts, it pushes us to run to the strong for help, and that is a great blessing. Whatever we need in the morning, let it carry us to the ocean of divine love. Jesus can quickly take away our sorrow and loves to comfort us. Let’s hurry to him while he waits to meet us.

from Charles Spurgeon’s, “Morning and Evening”, September 17th

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

August 3: Matthew Boddu, Kinsley Kelley; August 4: Shorey Egan, Josh Hayes, Rob Rasmussen; August 5: Cal Scott; August 6: Liam Fleming, Brad Windham; August 7: Nila Hood; August 8: James Dargan; August 9: Aida Calder; August 10: Albert James, III; August 12: Rosi Tong, John York; August 13: Lurline Bryant, Chris Hanburger; August 14: Charlee Rhodes



A summer get-together for all ladies of our church will take place Sunday, August 16, at 6pm in the McCown Building. We hope you will come to enjoy a delicious meal and a time of wonderful Christian fellowship. A highlight will be learning about flower arranging, including new ideas for using vases and dishes we have right in our homes. Plan to come and bring a friend! A nursery will be provided.

EXERCISE CLASS

All are invited to come, join, and have fun with Nancy Gordon for a chair exercise class. Classes are scheduled for Thursday, August 6 and Thursday, August 20 at 11am in the McCown Building, followed by a time of fellowship. If you have any questions, please call or text Nancy.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Missions Committee is asking members to bring specific items each month in preparation of packing 200 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. *For August, we need school supplies: crayons, colored pencils, pencils, pens, markers, water-color paints, notepads, scissors, erasers, and pencil pouches. Now is the perfect time to stock up on these items.*

MISSION OF THE WEEK

The Kids' Closet, in cooperation with Darlington County School District, provides disadvantaged children and teens with suitable clothing free of charge. Donations of new or *gently used* clothing (sizes 4 and up) are welcomed, as are cash donations and gift cards to stores such as Walmart and Target. Especially needed are socks, underwear, and pajamas. Because this ministry is a non-profit organization, all contributions are tax-deductible. If you would like to donate, please contact Beth Hubbard at 843-615-0918 or Whitney DeMaurice at 843-206-2234. Please remember this important ministry with your prayers and support.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Fellowship Carolina Park/Mt. Pleasant: Macquelyn Baggett; Brookdale/Charlotte: Sarah DuBose; The Manor: Betty Privette; Home: LaRue Anderson, Rita Bagwell, Boo Baker, Phyllis Banks, Lee Bass, Susan Baxter, Frank Cole, Linda Dargan, Mary Margaret Edwards, Evelyn Hanburger, Mike Harris, Vi Harris, Sissy Haynes, Nila Hood, Barbara Stokes, Susan Stone

HOLY COMMUNION

We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper this Sunday, August 2. Please be in prayerful preparation.

PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY SUNDAY

This Sunday is *Peanut Butter and Jelly Sunday*. Please help restock the shelves at The Lord Cares. A container is located near the table at the foot of the balcony stairs.



Congratulations to James Bagwell! He graduated this spring from the Darla Moore School of Business and the Honors College of the University of South Carolina. He will be attending the Floyd School of Medicine at the University of South Carolina.

NEWBORN

Congratulations to Fred and Lisa Bergwerff on the birth of their grandson, Ronan Archer Melton, born Friday, July 17. Proud parents are Colby and Jennifer, and thrilled big sister, Laurie!

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Looking Ahead! Church Committees will meet on Monday, August 17. The Administrative Committee will meet at 5:30pm and all other committees will meet at 6:30pm. Supper will be served at 6:00 and a nursery will be provided. Please contact your committee moderator or the church office if you will be unable to attend.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Everyone is invited to join us in the serving line area of the McCown Building each Sunday at 10:30am following Sunday School. Come enjoy refreshments and fellowship before entering the sanctuary for worship. We hope to see you there!



Youth Group will meet on 8/2 at the Purple Fish from 5-7pm to hear about the recent SonServants trip to WV. There will be food and fun! On 8/9 and 8/16, we will have our regular youth-time at the church-building. And on 8/9, each student should bring their favorite sandwich for dinner. On 8/23, we will be having a Confirmation Class dinner instead of our regular youth-time. Students who are participating in the Confirmation Class, along with their parents, are encouraged to attend.

Teachers and leaders of youth, kids, and nursery are invited to a training and dinner on 8/19 at the Hayes's house. This will be a fun and valuable time for us to solidify our goals and roles for the next school year. Please register with this code or email khayes@darlingtonpres.org



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In a digital world, having access to video Bible-studies, Christian kids-shows, songs, and other digital-discipleship tools can help you and your family follow Jesus. So sign up (for FREE) to access thousands of biblical resources on your phone, tablet, smart-TV, or computer through RightNowMedia! To register on your phone, simply text DPC to 49775. Or visit darlingtonpres.org and click the RightNowMedia button on the homepage.

HELP FOR AT-HOME DISCIPLESHIP



Our church believes that “the spiritual nurture, instruction, and training of the children of the church are committed by God primarily to their parents.” So, we are providing an at-home Bible guide that you can use to lead your family in a short time of daily devotion. It takes no preparation and is for all-ages. (And if you don't have kids at home, it is good for individuals and couples too). Just scan this QR code to find it online. A printed version is also included in the bulletin.

Also, *Upper Room* and *Our Daily Bread* devotionals are available on the table at the foot of the balcony steps and on the table outside the church office.