



# The Chapel Chimes

*"Holding forth the Word Life" - Philippians 2:16*

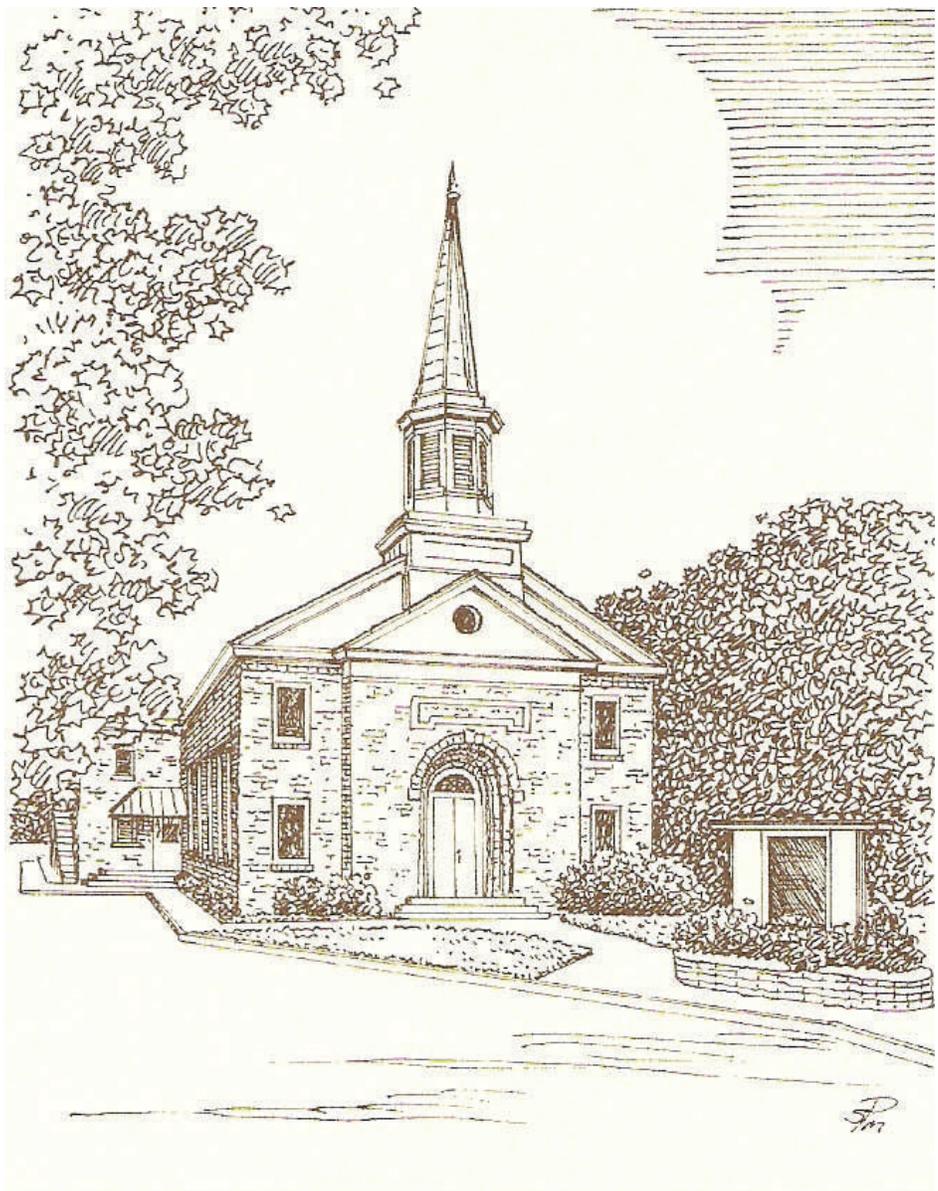
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## CELEBRATING 81 YEARS OF SERVICE IN GARDEN CITY, GA



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### Special Points Of Interest:

- Homecoming Update
- Garden City Christian Men's Fellowship

Pastor: Rev. Daren L. Russell

Secretary: Raina Martin

## BY HIS GRACE

*“ . . . so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.”*

*Colossians 1:10*

The following poem is a reminder that how we live really matters.

### *The Dash*

*By Linda Ellis*

*“ . . . what  
mattered most  
was the dash  
between those  
years.”*

I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend.  
He referred to the dates on her tombstone from the beginning . . .  
to the end.

He noted that first came the date of her birth and spoke of the  
following date with tears, but he said what mattered most of all  
was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time that she spent alive on earth  
and now only those who loved her know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own, the cars . . . the house . . .  
the cash. What matters is how we live and love and how we spend  
our dash.

So think about this long and hard; are there things you'd like to  
change? For you never know how much time is left that can  
still be rearranged.

If we could just slow down enough to consider what's true and real  
and always try to understand the way other people feel.

And be less quick to anger and show appreciation more and love the  
people in our lives like we've never loved before.

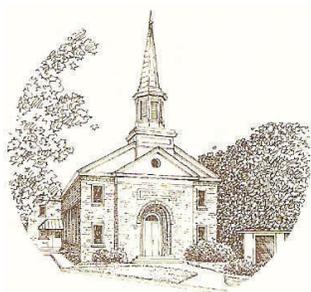
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## BY HIS GRACE CONTINUED

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile . . . remembering that this special dash might only last a little while.

So when your eulogy is being read with your life's actions to rehash, would you be proud of the things they say about how you spent your dash?

Time, in this verse, means "life". Your life is in the hand of the LORD and it is a precious gift from God. However, the time in which you live your life - day by day - is time which can never be recaptured. You can not get it back. Your life and your time, is to be used to the glory of God. In this poem, Ellis refers to one's life as the dash between life and death. A unique metaphor, but to the point. How have you spent your life? What crowns have you received; what will stand in the purifying fire? Will you hear, "well done, good and faithful servant"? Make your life's "dash" count by walking in a manner worthy of the Lord. It is By His Grace, that He puts the proper meaning into your "dash". DLR



## 81ST HOMECOMING

We will celebrate our 81st Homecoming at Chapel on Sunday, October 9, 2016, beginning with Morning Worship service at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Daren L. Russell will be leading us in remembering the goodness and faithfulness of the LORD to us in the past 81 years. Be sure to invite others to our Homecoming as we celebrate and give thanks for what the LORD has done.

Following the morning service we will enjoy our wonderful "Dinner on the Grounds" in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite dishes to share with members and guests as we celebrate God's blessings to us throughout the years.



### Concerns & Needs:

*Our Sister PCA Churches & Pastors in the Savannah Area:*

- Kirk O' the Isles -  
(Seeking a Pastor)
- First Presb. Pooler -  
Rev. John Fender  
Rev. Michael Brown
- Independent Presb. -  
Rev. Terry Johnson  
Rev. Ron Parrish  
Rev. Timothy Foster
- Grace Church of  
the Islands -  
Rev. Brad Waller  
Rev. Charlie Turner
- Trinity Presb.  
(Statesboro) -  
Rev. Roland Barnes
- Golden Isles Presb.  
(St. Simons) -  
Rev. Alexander Brown
- Redeemer Presb.  
(Brunswick) -  
(Seeking a Pastor)
- New Covenant Presb.  
(Richmond Hill)  
Rev. Nick Batzig



## WIC NEWS

### Circle Meetings

- » The **Dickson/Monk Circle** will meet at the church - Tuesday, October 18th, at 10:00 a.m.
- » The **Ellen Wing Circle** will meet at the Manse - Monday, October 17th, at 6:30 p.m.
- » The **Bea LaRoche Circle** will meet at the home of Anne Glidewell - Tuesday, October 18th, at 6:00 p.m.

### WIC Council Meeting

Sunday, October 2nd, at 5:00 p.m.

Newsletter  
**DEADLINE**

The deadline for announcements for the November issue of *The Chapel Chimes* is Thursday, October 13th, at 12:00 noon.

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## CLEAN UP DAY FOR WIC WOMEN

Attention All Ladies. It is that time of year again. We need to do our “fall cleaning” in preparation for Homecoming on October 9, 2016. There is a list of tasks that need to be completed posted by the Pastor’s Study. I am asking for all ladies to participate in helping to complete the necessary cleaning. Please sign-off on the specific tasks you are willing to do. This will allow you to work on your own and in your own time frame. When you have completed your task please mark the date task was completed on the list. All work needs to be done by October 6. Thank you in advance Ladies for your help!

Rhonda Howell  
WIC President



## SUNSHINE CHARMERS

The Sunshine Charmers will be attending the Church Homecoming on Sunday, October 9th following the morning service. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar.

## OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

October is Clergy Appreciation Month and I invite everyone to express your appreciation to Pastor Russell by placing a personal note or card in the basket on the lamp table outside of the secretary's office.

Please, keep Pastor Russell and his family in your prayers as he continues his dedicated service to our congregation and community as a shepherd, mentor, teacher and counselor. Chapel-in-the-Gardens Presbyterian Church is truly blessed to have Pastor Russell and we should honor him by giving thanks to God for sending us his servant.

Rhonda Howell  
WIC President

## GARDEN CITY CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Garden City Christian Men's Fellowship dinner will be on Thursday, October 27th, at 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Garden City. This will be Ladies Night so men please bring your wives and enjoy a good meal and fellowship.

## SAVANNAH RIVER PRESB. MTG.

The Savannah River Presbytery Meeting will be held at Independent Presbyterian Church in Savannah, GA on Tuesday, October 18th beginning at 8:30 a.m.

## SYMPATHY

The Christian Sympathy of the Church Family is extended to Judy O'Neal and family in the passing of her sister, Sharon Hoffman on Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

*"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."*

*Psalm 116:15*

### Flower Delivery

*Delivering the  
flowers for the month  
of October will be  
Ann Hartley.*



## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP NEWS

### Men's Workday

The Deacon's have scheduled a work day for Saturday, October 1st, & Saturday, October 8th, at 8:30 a.m. in preparation for Homecoming. All men are encouraged to help out if you can.

### R.O.M.E.O. Club

The ROMEO Club has been canceled for this month due to numerous tasks needed to be completed in preparation for Homecoming.



### Fall Back

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 6th. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday, November 5th so you will be on time for Sunday School.

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## 2016 GEORGIA RIGHT TO LIFE

This year is the 25th Annual Coastal Empire LIFE CHAIN. The Pro-Life group has been speaking out on behalf of unborn babies and their mothers for 25 years, as well as educating people on the truth about abortion. Our church has supported GRTL over the years and especially the Annual Life Chain each year. The Life Chain makes a statement to the community that the church supports life, and that abortion is wrong. The Life Chain will be on **Sunday, October 2nd from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.** Life Chain signs will be available to pick up by 2:00 p.m. at the LIFE CHAIN information station. Please return signs to their station by 3:30 p.m. A \$1.00 donation for each sign used will help us continue the fight for the unborn. Our location to stand is on Abercorn Street in front of Pep Boys.

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## THANK YOU !!

Dear Church Family,

I would like to thank my wonderful church family for all the prayers, calls, visits, food and kindness expressed during the years of my sister's illness and recent death. Your kind words of sympathy have been greatly appreciated!

Your in Christ,  
Judy O'Neal

## OUTREACH CORNER



### Outreach Ministries

#### Home:

- RUF ministries, Sav. River Presb.  
SCAD - Rev. Soren Kornegay  
Georgia Southern - Rev. Ro Taylor
- Savannah River Presbytery
- PCA General Assembly Agencies
- Covenant Care - work with unwed  
mothers & adoptions
- International Seaman's House
- CEF - Georgia
- PEF - Bristol, VA
- Hebron Colony - Boone, NC
- Navy Chaplin - Lt. John Um - Hawaii

#### Foreign:

- Clay Quarterman - Keiv, Ukraine
- Bill Schweitzer - England
- Jay Matsinger - Prague in Czech  
Republic
- Ellen Barnet - Mexico

Continue to be in prayer for these missionaries and mission agencies.

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## REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 31, 1517 is the date given for the start of the Protestant Reformation. It was the reclaiming of biblical truth. There were five "Solas" (meaning 'alone') of this movement: Glory to God alone, Scripture alone, Faith alone, Grace alone, and Christ alone. The central issue was the doctrine of justification by faith alone. The recapturing of this truth paved the way for the Protestant movement and the continued growth of the church. Reformation Sunday this year is October 30th.

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## YEARLY PLANNING CALENDAR MEETING

Sunday, November 13th, at 5:00 p.m. there will be a meeting to plan the church calendar for 2017. All committee chairmen are required to attend this meeting. Any one interested in helping to plan this calendar are welcome to attend.

### *October Meetings*

#### Deacon's Meeting

Wed., October 12th,  
at 7:15 p.m.

#### Joint Session & Deacon Meeting

Tues., October 25th,  
at 10:00 a.m.

#### Session Meeting

Tues., October 25th  
following the Joint Mtg.

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### *Our Mission*

*To be  
Kingdom Focused,  
Gospel Driven  
and Christ Centered  
in all that we do.*

### *Our Vision*

*"Our Vision is to reach out to Garden City and the surrounding area with the Good News of Christ; to proclaim the inerrant and infallible Word of God through faithful preaching and teaching of the Reformed faith; to exalt Christ by authentic worship in word, sacrament, prayer and music in spirit and in truth; to glorify the Triune God in thought, word and deed through the practical application and living out our faith by stressing loving Christian fellowship and compassion to those in need; to support mission works in the United States and the world."*

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### October

#### Birthdays

- 2 Kimberly Hord
- 3 Travis Forehand
- 4 Diane Holder
- 7 David Evans
- 8 Ernie Kirby  
Helen Ward
- 20 Nita McNeely
- 21 Nancy Kirby
- 24 Jeff Hartley
- 26 John Nelson
- 28 Rev. Eugene Ponder
- 31 LaVerne Carter

#### Anniversaries

- 7 Mr. & Mrs. Patrick O'Neal
- 23 Mr. & Mrs. Tennyson Holder



Your  
word  
is a lamp  
to guide my feet  
and  
a light  
for my path.  
Psalm 119:105