

December 2022

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

Clerk's Corner

Clerk's Report:

- Facility Usage: Playground: October 22, 2022, 10:30-2:30
 Erin Stafford and November 6, 2022, 3:30-6:30 Macy Russell
- There were no changes in membership
- Mary Mc Carter gave the report for the commissioners who attended the October 25, 2022, Presbytery meeting.
- Communion servers for December 4, 2022, are Charlotte Ealick and Mary McCarter; and for December 25, Brock Daniels and Chris Terry.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer Aubrey Moore reported the October financial preliminary report shows
 Covenant maintaining a
 \$26,686.98 surplus with pledges on target at 83%. He stated that in the Restricted Accounts there had been a \$4600 gift to the Building Fund in October bringing the year-to-date total contributions to \$17,571.65. He also reported a \$200 gift to the Pastor's fund.
- Preliminary Preschool October financial statements show a yearto-date surplus of \$8,579.88.
 Salaries remain within budget.

From Our Pastor

Whenever we arrive at the holiest days of the year, I always repeat to myself that my job it to tell the story and to tell it well. Sometimes, I fall into the trap of thinking that I need to say something novel on Ash Wednesday or Easter or Advent. Sometimes, I feel badly for picking the same passage on Christmas Eve every year (it will be Luke 2:1-20, just in case you were wondering). But then I remember that some stories are worth telling again and again and again.

There is something about following the same order and telling the same story that grounds us. It seems that no matter how many times we hear it, there is a strange comfort in the mystery of God coming to this world through a baby in a stable. For that reason, I can't wait to hear it all over again.

Over the next month, you will see a lot of the things that you have come to know and love from years past: Lessons & Carols, the Advent Wreath, Christmas caroling, the Longest Night service, and candlelight on Christmas Eve. We will also have a few new things to share, such as a Christmas Day service. We don't normally worship on Christmas Day unless it falls on a Sunday. The last time that happened was 2016. It won't happen again until 2033.

I have a vivid memory of preaching on Christmas Day in 2005, which was the year that I was ordained. I remember wearing a flannel shirt, jeans, and no robe. The idea was that if we were celebrating a baby who was essentially born on a farm, then I would try to look like a farmer. That's my plan for 2022 as well. Hopefully, I will be able to remember it in 2033.

This year, I would encourage you to come on Sunday, December 25 at 10:00 a.m. and join us for an informal service filled with Christmas carols from the piano. Be casual that day and wear whatever you like. Congregational Life Ministry Team will be organizing a small gathering in the parlor after worship. If you have any Christmas treats that you would like to share (or maybe get rid of), then please bring them. And it you have babies, then please bring them. It is only appropriate that we have baby sounds on Christmas Day. Charlie is looking forward to being in the sanctuary with you.

As we tell this story again, I am looking forward to doing in a new way on Christmas Day. I hope that you will join us!

Grace and peace, Andy

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Year-end Giving

As we approach the end of the fiscal year, I wanted to remind you that gifts must be received in the church office by the end of the day on Friday, December 30 to be credited to 2022. Gifts that are postmarked by December 31, or which are made online by December 31, will also be credited to 2022. I will be on vacation during the last week of December, but Judy Strogonoff will be in the office and she will be happy to assist you. In mid-January, I will mail and email 2022 giving statements. If you have any questions, then please email me at jharrison@covenantaugusta.org.

Jenn Harrison, Finance Secretary

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: All Covenant Members **Co-Pastors:**

The Rev. Katelyn Gordon Cooke

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The Rev. Andy Cooke

Director of Music and Organist:

Lyn M. Patterson **Parish Associate:**

The Rev. Karla Conditt Daniels

Nursery Caregiver: Alex Krumme

and Sherry Nash

Church Secretary: Judy Strogonoff Finance Secretary: Jenn Harrison

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Office Hours:

9:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m. Mon, Wed, Fri. 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Tues, Thurs.

Clerk's Corner

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Motions

- Chris Terry made the motion to dismiss the Open the Gates Task Force with gratitude. The motion passed.
- Mission Ministry made the recommendation to approve two new outdoor signs. Following lengthy discussion, the motion was defeated.
- The Officer Retreat and Ordination the weekend February 17-19, 2023, was discussed. Chris Henry made the motion for the Officer Retreat to be February 17-18, 2023, and Ordination and Installation of Officers to be February 19, 2023. It was seconded and passed.

Anyone can observe the Sabbath but making it holy surely takes the rest of the week. Alice Walker.

Clerk Judy Grieve

Session minutes are available in the church office.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS & VACATION

The church office will be closed on Monday, December 26 and on Monday, January 2. Andy, Katelyn, and Jenn will all be on vacation during the last week of December. If you need assistance during that time, then please contact Judy Strogonoff in the church office.

CHIMES DEADLINE

Next month, we will publish a combined January/February Chimes. The publication deadline is Tuesday, January 3. The Chimes will be mailed in mid-January.

2023 STEWARDSHIP

Thank you to everyone who has helped to make our 2023 stewardship campaign a success! It was a joy to see so many of you come forward on Dedication Sunday. If you haven't turned in your pledge card yet, then we hope that you will do so shortly. Your participation is important to us. Stewardship materials are available on the website and in the church office. Please reach out to any of us if you have questions.

The Capital Campaign/Stewardship Task Force



Advent

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27:

First Sunday of Advent We focus on "Hope."

Special Hanging of the Greens Service at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for this unique worship service of decorating and preparing our sanctuary for Advent and the Christmas Season.

Advent Workshop at 11:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4:

Second Sunday of Advent

Our focus is on "Peace" and we will celebrate communion.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6:

PW Women's Christmas Social at 11:30 a.m. at Red Lobster

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7:

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Advent Trivia at 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8:

Young Adult Christmas Gathering at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Andy and Katelyn Cooke.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11:

Third Sunday of Advent Our focus is on "Joy."

Lessons & Carols will feature specially chosen Old and New Testament Scriptures interspersed with seasonal choral and handbell music

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13:

Ladies for Lunch

Frog and Hen, 466 Flowing Wells Road, at 11:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14:

Christmas Caroling

We will gather at the Covenant parking lot at 4:45 p.m. for caroling and visit Covenant members around Augusta and at Brandon Wilde.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15:

Preschool Christmas Program at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16:

Youth Christmas Party at 6:00 p.m. in the youth room.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18:

Fourth Sunday of Advent. Our focus is on "Love."

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21:

Longest Night Service at 7:00 p.m. A service for those for whom the Light seems far away. Reception immediately following in the parlor.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24:

Family Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 p.m.

Candlelight Communion Service at 9:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25:

Christmas Day

Christmas morning worship at 10:00 a.m.

Christmas cookies and cider in the parlor immediately following the worship service.

*We will not have childcare this morning. Children are welcome to join us in the sanctuary!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26:

Church office closed

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1:

New Year's Day

Worship at 10:00 a.m.

There is no Sunday School this morning.

MONDAY, JANUARY 2:

Church office closed

Poinsettias



If you would like to remember or honor family or friends this Christmas through the gift of Poinsettia poinsettias, you are invited to make a contribution to the

Christmas Poinsettias Fund. Poinsettias will be in the Sanctuary December 11 through Christmas Eve. (A separate plant may not be purchased for each contribution.) Any excess money received goes into the general flower fund to be used to purchase arrangements for Sundays when there is no donor, or to enhance the beauty of the Covenant grounds through the purchase of plants.

To cover the cost of the poinsettias, we request a contribution of at least \$15.00 for each dedication. Dedications will be printed in the bulletins on December 11, 18, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day. If you want to take a poinsettia with you, please wait until after the Christmas Day Service. Orders should be in the church office no later than Thursday, December 8. You may donate online at the link provided at the end of the online form or send checks to the church office made payable to Covenant Presbyterian Church and note for the Christmas Poinsettias Fund. (To access the form online go to https:// tinyurl.com/2022christmaspoinsettias

I would like to contribute to the Christmas Poinsettias Fund as follows:
In memory of
In honor of
Amount of Contribution \$
Name
Phone

Education

ADULT

Adult SALT (Sharing and Learning Together) and Choir Class

Sundays, December 4, 11, and 18 11:15 a.m. in Room 12

All adults are invited to participate in our Sunday School class at 11:15 a.m. in room 12.

Our topic is an interesting and engaging book by Brian McLaren titled, We Make the Road by Walking. The book leads us in exploring what a difference an honest, living, growing faith can make in us and in our world today. Since the chapters are short, we will be reading and discussing them together in class. For questions, please contact Steve Bell, Judy Grieve, or Kathy Ordelt.

Disciples Bible Study

Disciples will study *Short Stories by Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine. The class will use the book and the DVD that goes with this 11 part series. We will



meet December 13. In this study Amy-Jill Levine analyzes and illuminates Jesus' parables, taking readers back in time to understand how the original Jewish audience heard the stories. Contact Judy Grieve judygrieve@mac.com about this class.

Coffee and Conversation



You've already come to worship, so stay after the service for coffee and conversation in the gathering area

outside the Fellowship Hall. Join Covenant friends for some time to visit and see where the Spirit leads us in conversation. This time is meant to be informal, and all are welcome!

YOUTH

Youth Small Groups

Sundays, December 4, 11, and 18 11:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Middle School // Room 204 High School // Room 203

Do your Christmas decorations at home include a nativity scene? Who's included in it? In December, middle school youth are talking about the stories and symbols of the nativity, and they'll be learning more about who's included in the nativity and why.

Some people love Hallmark
Christmas movies. They love the
snow, the romance, and the
Christmas spirit. The original
Christmas story looked nothing like
a Hallmark movie. This month, high
school youth are talking about the
real Christmas story, and they'll be
talking about some of the less festive
details in the Scriptural accounts of
Jesus' birth and why those details
matter to our faith.

Youth Christmas Party!

Friday, December 16 6:00 – 11:00 p.m. // Youth Room

Do you love Christmas movies? Christmas cookies? Christmas gifts? Then you should come to the Covenant youth Christmas party! All middle and high school youth are invited for dinner, a white elephant gift exchange (please bring a wrapped \$10 gift), cookie-baking for GAP, and other Christmas merriment. We can't wait to see you there!

Summer Trips

Youth families, keep an eye on your email inboxes next month for information about summer 2023 trips! Here are dates to add to your family calendars:

Montreat Youth Conference (rising 8th grade-graduated senior)

Sunday, July 9-Saturday, July 15

Montreat Middle School (rising 5th grade-rising 8th grade)

Wednesday, July 19-Sunday, July 23

CHILDREN

Sundays, December 4, 11, and 18

Preschool // Room 2 11:15-11:25 a.m.

Elementary // Room 103 11:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This month, preschool and elementary school Sunday School classes are learning about the story of Jesus' birth and how we share this good news with others! The elementary school kiddos will also be baking Christmas cookies to share with our GAP neighbors during Sunday School on December 11.

Congregational Life

PICK-UP BASKETBALL

Saturday, December 10 10:30 a.m. Covenant Gym

Anyone who likes shootin' hoops is invited to come to the gym at 10:30 a.m. on December 10 for pick-up basketball game. If you want more information, contact Chris Terry at caterry005@gmail.com.

LADIES FOR LUNCH

Ladies for Lunch will meet Tuesday, December 13, at 11:30 a.m. Women and friends of Covenant will gather at Frog and Hen, 466 Flowing Wells Road. Contact Phoebe Crimmins at 706-738-7820 or by email at phoebebeach30@hotmail.com to make your reservation for this gathering so that we may have space for you.

YOUNG ADULT CHRISTMAS GATHERING

Thursday, December 8, 2022 7:00 p.m. 3013 Stratford Drive, Augusta.

Covenant young adults are invited to come celebrate the season together and enjoy good company and festivities!

MEN'S BROWN BAG LUNCH

Bring your own lunch and join us at noon on December 13, in the Fellowship Hall. We are continuing to look at Richard Rohr's book, *From Wild Man to Wise Man*. We hope to see you there!

CHRISTMAS MORNING CIDER & COOKIES!

Sunday, December 25 after 10:00 a.m. worship

Church parlor

Congregational Life invites you to enjoy some Christmas cheer with your Covenant family! We'll provide hot cider, and you're invited to bring cookies to share. (Regifted cookies are okay by us! ③)

Wednesdays in December

Get into the Advent spirit with us on Wednesday evenings in December! Mark your calendars for the following events:

Wednesday, December 7 5:30-6:15 p.m. – Dinner

6:15-7:00 p.m. – Advent trivia and crafts

Wednesday, December 14

Christmas Caroling!

Meet in the parking lot at 4:45 p.m.

Wednesday, December 21

Longest Night Worship Service 7:00 p.m.

Reception immediately following in the church parlor

Covenant Preschool & Children's Day Out

December is a fun month at the preschool! This month, we're learning about winter holidays, and we'll be talking about Jesus' birth in chapel. The children are filled with the Christmas spirit, and we're looking forward to sharing their joy at the Preschool Christmas Program on Thursday, December 15.

A big thank you to the Education Ministry Team for providing lunch for the preschool staff Christmas party and for helping with the reception after the Christmas program. The school and staff are so grateful for the variety of ways the church supports the school, and we wish you all a very merry Christmas!

Katelyn Gordon Cooke, Director of Preschool







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2022 CHRISTMAS GOODIES FOR GAP

It's that wonderful time again when we all begin to think about Christmas. As we anticipate the birth of the Christ child, our thoughts turn to those for whom economic challenges are greatest. Through Christmas Goodies for GAP our Covenant family and friends help GAP Ministries make the season a little more "merry and bright" for individuals and families in our community who are facing food insecurity. Christmas goodies are packaged in decorative boxes and bags to be included with GAP's annual Christmas food distribution.

This year, GAP's Christmas distribution will be Thursday, December 22. During 2022, people have been coming to GAP in increasing number for food assistance. Our goal this year is to prepare 180 packages of *Goodies for GAP*. Seventy of these will be bags for those who have no permanent place to stay and receive what GAP calls "walking bags". The other 90 will be boxes which are a bit larger for people who have a place to cook and have more mouths to feed.

We hope many of you will be baking your special cookies, brownies, fudge, etc. to help us reach our goal this year. Most cookies and other goodies freeze well and can be baked in advance. If you'd like to participate but would rather not bake, feel free to contribute things from the store.

Covenant volunteers will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 Wednesday afternoon, December 21 to fill bags and boxes for the Thursday distribution. When we're done, we will celebrate the season and share some mulled cider and other goodies ourselves. We hope all our bakers will be able to join us.

You can leave off your goodies in the Fellowship Hall kitchen beginning Sunday, December 18. If you have questions, you can text Martha Bertrand at 706 836-1329 or email her at mbertrand651@gmail.com.

GAP ITEM OF THE MONTH

The GAP item of the month for December is beef stew or chili. We always need food that goes into the "walking bags" that we give to the homeless and to the working poor who come by to get something for lunch. We provide two sandwiches, chips or crackers, water with flavoring, fruit and a sweet. Some of these items are seldom available from Golden Harvest at their special pricing, so we really appreciate donations of packs of crackers, small packs of cookies, flavor packets for water bottles, chips, and small containers of fruit.

LIST OF ITEMS BY MONTH

January: Hot chocolate

February: Canned pork and beans March: Canned chicken or ham

April: Boxes of cereal

May: Toothbrushes & toothpaste

June: Deodorant
July: Canned fruit
August: Toilet paper
September: Canned soup
October: Instant grits or oatmeal

(Individual packets)

November: Stuffing mix (type which

only needs water added)
December: Beef stew or chili

<u>EQUAL EXCHANGE</u> <u>COFFEE AND</u> CHOCOLATE SALE

Mission Ministry will be hosting a sale of coffee and chocolate from Equal Exchange on Sunday, December 11. Look for the table



in the narthex after the worship service.

Charlotte Ealick and Sabina Widner

MANY THANKS TO COVENANT FROM GAP MINISTRIES!

Our thanks and gratitude go out to all the people who purchased diapers for us at Costco during their greatly reduced diaper sale. You folks purchased 290 boxes of diapers! This saved GAP \$2,775. Our client numbers continue to go up in our diaper bank. To date we have seen a 33% increase in diaper packages dispensed compared to this time in 2021. What you have done helps in so many ways. Our current diaper inventory will serve us through the end of the year and possibly into January for the smaller sizes of diapers. You have freed up an hour each week for our administrator, Jodi Huff, who routinely picks the diapers up. You have also made it possible for our volunteers to repackage diapers during slower times on Thursday instead of committing to an additional day during the week. We are blessed by your efforts to help those in need in Augusta.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!!

Judy Grieve

CHRISTMAS IN HONDURAS

Covenant supports Ernie and Allison Sizemore who work for Mission on the Move in Honduras. Part of their work is holding after school programs for children. The Sizemore's have shared a need for backpacks and school supplies for these children. A new school year begins in January in Honduras.

There is a board near the sanctuary with items for you to choose to donate. Please make sure the backpacks are a solid color (no patterns or characters). You can leave your donations in a box near the sanctuary through the month of December. Thank you for helping our missionaries serve the children in Honduras.

Elaine Lea

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

The Christmas Joy Offering has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s. The Offering distributes gifts equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families. Presbyterianrelated schools and colleges provide education and leadership development while nurturing racial and ethnic heritage. This has been a Presbyterian commitment for nearly 140 years. Presbyterian churches will collect the Christmas Joy Offering December 18.



Worship

BEFORE THE MANGER WORSHIP SERIES

When we look back over the stories of our lives, we might notice that we often think in terms of befores and afters.



There was life before we moved out of our parents' home and after, before we got married and after, before we started the job and after. There are all kinds of events that become defining.

When we look at the story of our faith, we notice these kinds of events too, and one of the most obvious and most significant ones is the birth of Jesus. The season of Advent helps us to mark this milestone moment in our faith when we remember life before Jesus' birth and consider all that has happened ever since.

Join us in worship this Advent for our series "Before the Manger" as we reflect on the significance of Jesus' birth in our personal stories and the story of God with God's people.

FESTIVAL SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS

Sunday, December 11, at 10:00 a.m. the Covenant Festival Choir and Ensem*Bells*, will offer our annual Festival Service of Lessons and Carols. The congregation will also be invited to join in singing as with Word and music we anticipate and celebrate the birth of the Christ Child, our Savior.

Soli Deo Gloria! Lyn M. Patterson



Building and Grounds

Building and Grounds Ministry Team would like to thank everyone who came out to participate in our third Church Work Day Saturday, November 5. We accomplished more than anticipated! God is so good to all of us!



Work Day Participants:

- * Martha Bertrand
- Mary Beacham
- Lori Rogers
- * Eden Rogers
- * Paula Reardon
- * Andy, Katelyn & Charlie Cooke
 - * Bobby Vernoy
 - * Chuck Baldwin
 - * John Ealick
 - * Cindy Wallerich
- * Ralph, Owen & Jonah Gillies
 - * Phil Humphreys
 - * Aubrey Moore
 - Courtney and Ella Davis
 - * Charles Jay
 - * Jennifer Williams

Presbyterian Women



The December meeting of WINGS (Women In God's Service) on Tuesday, December 6, will be a combination meeting, first with a remembrance service for Lois Reynolds in the Sanctuary of Covenant Presbyterian Church, followed by lunch at the Red Lobster.

Rev. Karla Conditt Daniels will guide the remembrance service which will begin at 10:00 am.

Lunch will follow at the Red Lobster at 11:30 a.m. Before lunch, Judy Grieve will lead a brief program on Lesson 4 from *Celebrating Sabbath, Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight, the 2022-23 PW/Horizons Bible Study.*

If you plan to attend the lunch, please email Cindy Wallerich (cswallerich@gmail.com) before December 3rd so reservations can be made.

TREATS FOR TROOPS

Covenant Presbyterian Women will be collecting individually packaged treats to make 200 snack bags for soldiers at Fort Gordon who will be traveling home for the holidays. Please consider donating individually packaged food items, such as cheese, crackers, granola bars, fruit roll-ups, pretzels and candy. Place your items in the boxes in front of the office by November 30. Thanks so much to all who have supported this mission in the past.



IN MEMORY OF GRACE HECK

Elizabeth Blanchard Jim & Phoebe Crimmins Elizabeth Engler Joe and Diane Griffin Richard Poole

IN MEMORY OF LARRY LUTCHER

Jim & Phoebe Crimmins Joe & Diane Griffin

IN MEMORY OF FRAN MIXON

Bonnie Attwood Ann Hull Mary John Mary Johnson William Johnson (South Carolina) William Johnson (Texas) Michael Kennedy (North Carolina) Michael Kennedy (South Carolina)

IN MEMORY OF LOIS REYNOLDS

Mary Beachum



December Worship Schedule

USHERS 12/4: Judy Grieve, Chris Henry, Ruth Mayhall, Philip Monk Buddy Simpson, Bill Usry 12/11: Steve Bell, Dalton Cooper, John Ealick, Angela Hobby 12/18: Jim Buckalew, Jim Crimmins, Jimmy Lea, Johnny Lowe, Charlie Terry 12/21: Hugh Dobbins, Dave Lapp, Lucyle Ferris, Fidelis Ndingwan 12/24: **5:00 p.m.** Judy Grieve, Chris Henry, Ruth Mayhall, Philip Monk

<u>LITURGIST/READER</u> AT 10:00 AM SERVICE

12/4: Dana Johnson

12/11: Lesson and Carols

12/18: LJ Jay

12/25: Lindsay Kircher

PREACHER

12/4: Katelyn Gordon Cooke12/11: Lessons and Carols

12/18: Katelyn Gordon Cooke

12/21: Andy Cooke

12/24: **5:00 p.m.**Katelyn Gordon Cooke **9:00 p.m.**

Andy Cooke

12/25: Andy Cooke

GREETERS

12/4: Gail Baker

12/11: Mary Beachum and Martha Bertrand

12/18: Kadie Cheeks and Kathryn Crandall

12/25: Jim Crimmins

A/V TEAM

Steve Bell, Terry Bowers, Miller Cooke, John Ealick, Charles Jay, Owen Gillies

COORDINATORS

Lindsay Kircher, Greeter
Coordinator
John Ealick, A/V Team Coordinator
Chris Henry, Usher Coordinator
Kaye Petkas, Liturgist/Reader
Coordinator
Cindy Wallerich, Flower

Coordinator

Prayer Concerns

New Celebrations and Prayer Concerns

Buddy Simpson, Bill Usry

Steve Bell, Dalton Cooper,

John Ealick, Angela Hobby

12/25: Hugh Dobbins, Dave Lapp,

Fidelis Ndingwan

Lucyle Ferris,

9:00 p.m.

Jessie Lea and Alex Hall just married on November 19

Family of John Trulock upon his death November 13

Continued Prayer Concerns

All of Covenant's Missionaries
All who serve in the U.S. Military
Gail Baker – Recovering from foot
surgery

Bill Cornes – At home(0901)

Margaree Donaldson —mother of Bill Usry, who is recovering from a stroke (1017)

Sharon Griffin (Diane Griffin's sister-in-law) (0802)

Donna Johnson (friend of Sarah Colborn) – Hospital (0824)

Sam McCarter – Summerville, SC (0815)

John McCrosky – as he begins a new call as the Interim Pastor at Monticello Presbyterian Church (1008)

Maggie McFadden (Joslyn Field's aunt) – Beaufort, SC (1003)

Luis R. Rivera (father of Maria Rivera)—Puerto Rico (0826)

Gail Roat upon the death of her brother Jack Wildes (1110)

Elaine Sanders-Jackson (Joslyn Field's sister) – Orangeburg, SC (1003)

Jennifer Shook (sister of Elaine Lea) – Bandon, Oregon (0901)

Debbie van Tuyll – Day surgery (1107)

Sue Walsh (friend of Diane Griffin)
- Charlotte, NC (0722)

Enduring Concerns

Dorris Andrews (Elaine Lea's mother) – Brandon Wilde Joe and Eunice Cook – Brandon Wilde Phyllis Daniels – Brandon Wilde Dan Freeman (Kaye Petkas' brother) – Winter Park, FL Priscilla Gilman – Brandon Wilde Erroll Hatcher – Adairsville, GA Betty Johnston – Brandon Wilde

Leah Mannel – Brandon Wilde **Jocelyn Martin-Moses** (Karell Moses' mother) – At home

Anita Parker (Joslyn Fields' cousin)

– Beaufort, SC

Elizabeth Swink – At home

Jane Terry (Chris Terry's mother) – Lake Wales, FL

And for all those whose names we hold in our hearts.

The prayer ministry is led by deacons Lindsay Kircher, Deb Pittman, and Dana Johnson. To add a prayer concern, please contact the church office at jstrogonoff@covenantaugusta.org.



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