

THE EPISTLE

September 20, 2024

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Sedgefield United Methodist Church

*2830 Dorchester Place
Charlotte, NC 28209*

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704-523-0077

Rev. Tom Stinson-Wesley, Pastor

Reflections From Pastor Tom



Dear Friends,

This Sunday, I will be preaching on James 3:13-18 and my title will be “People Of Peace.”

While the word “peace” is not an exclusively Christian word, it has special significance for the followers of Jesus. After all, Jesus said that he does not give peace as the world gives (John 14:27). We know that for Jesus, peace was not the absence of conflict or struggle. The peace Jesus brought to the world actually initiated conflict and struggle. That can be a little confusing.

In our Scripture lesson from James, we read about peace as the remedy for chaos and disorder stemming from wickedness and selfishness. We try to be people of peace in this sense. We want to let the peace of Jesus drive our thinking, our doing, and our being. On Sunday, we will talk about how we can be people of peace.

Blessings,
Pastor Tom

This Sunday in Worship

September 22, 2024
10:30 a.m.
People of Peace

Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m.
in Room 203 in the Education Bldg.

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers this Sunday,
September 22, 2024 are in honor of
the Washburn Family Greenville from
Tom and Leslie Anne Washburn.



Do you want to honor or remember
someone by donating Altar Flowers?
You can do so by using the Altar
Flower Sign-Up Page in this Epistle or
call the church office at 704-523-0077.
There a few open dates for this year.

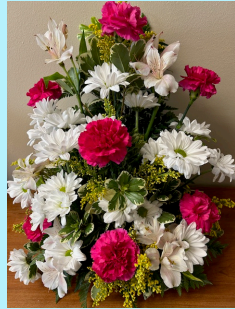
Future Sermons

Sept. 29 - Stumbling Blocks and Hurting Yourself
Oct. 6 - The Human Dilemma
Oct. 13 - More Than We Are Willing To Pay

- ▶ **Susanna Wesley Circle**
Thursday, October 10, 2024
6:30 p.m.
Room 204 in the Education Bldg.

Upcoming Events

- ▶ **Serve At Rebound-Breakfast**
Sunday, September 22, 2024
7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.
907 W. 1st Street
- ▶ **Youth Group**
Sunday, September 22, 2024
12 Noon - 1:30 p.m.
SouthPark Church
3151 Apex Drive
Charlotte NC 28211
- ▶ **Nominations Committee Meeting**
Sunday, September 22, 2024
2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall
- ▶ **Missions Meeting**
Sunday, September 29, 2024
11:45 a.m.
Fellowship Hall
- ▶ **Bible Study will return on**
Tuesday, October 1, 2024
11:00 a.m. - 12Noon
Fellowship Hall
- ▶ **Admin Council & Charge Conference**
Tuesday, October 1, 2024
6:30 p.m.
Room 204 in Ed Bldg w/Zoom Option
- ▶ **Trustees Meeting**
Wednesday, October 2, 2024
6:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall



Altar Flowers

**Use the Sign-up Genius Link
Below to Order Flowers.**

**[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/
10C0D4DA5AB2AAB9-sedgefield](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DA5AB2AAB9-sedgefield)**

- **pick an available date**
- **write a message to let us know who/what you want to memorialize, honor or celebrate**

**Or you can just call the Church Office
at 704-523-0077 to order flowers.**

The Altar Flower donation remains the same at \$40 which can be paid online using the Church Website sedgefieldchurch.org or by sending a check to Sedgefield Church, 2830 Dorchester Place, Charlotte NC 28209.

Please note “for flowers” online or your check.



Update from Marwen McDowell Habitat for Humanity Charlotte Region

Dear friends,

We had spectacular days on James Street this past weekend! Great volunteers, great work and great weather! Oh...and great food too!

On Friday, St. Peter's Episcopal's Pastor, Rev. Robin Sands, started the day with a devotion. As the pictures show, we were able to raise all the walls outside and inside Can't wait to see the second floor go up!

On Saturday, Dilworth UMC took charge. They were able to complete some tedious work that doesn't have a wow picture like yesterday's task but is so important! Sophia and her daughter spent time on her house as well.

So proud of the work you have done not only at the site but also recruiting volunteers! Let's keep that momentum going. There are a few volunteer spots open for this Saturday, September 21st and we need 8 more volunteers for Saturday, September 28th.

The pictures below say more than I can.

Marwen

See the next page for the work schedule and the Link to sign Up.





2024 Charlotte Church Partners Build Schedule

Registration Instructions

1. Visit the group search page:
habitatcltvolunteers.force.com/apex/VolunteerGroupSearch
2. Search group number: **1686**
3. Select: Charlotte Church Partners Volunteer Team
4. Search for shifts; *simply press 'search' button (no need to enter dates or location)**
5. Check desired shift(s) and click select
6. Log in to an existing account or create a new one
 - a. New user/volunteer: click "new User" to create a new account
 - b. Existing user/returning volunteer: Your email address is your volunteer account username. If you've forgotten your password, you can request a new one by clicking "Forgot Your Password?"

2853 James St. Charlotte, NC 28208

Date	Task	Max # of Volunteers
Saturday, 9/7	Subfloor	12
Friday, 9/13	Framing	15
Saturday, 9/14	Framing	15
Saturday, 9/21	Floor decking	15
Saturday, 9/28	2 nd Story Framing	15
Saturday, 12/7	Drywall	20
Saturday, 1/4	Interior Paint	12
Saturday, 1/11	Interior Paint	12

For any questions about registering for a shift please contact:

Crista Ray cray@habitatCLRegion.org 980.859.5573

Courtney DuBulis cdubulis@habitatCLRegion.org

Pictures from Robin Moore's Farewell Reception on Sunday



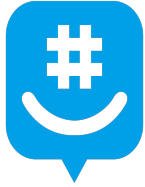
Save the Date
Saturday
October 26, 2024

FALL FESTIVAL

A decorative banner featuring the words "FALL FESTIVAL" in a bold, black, serif font. The text is overlaid on a background of various autumn leaves in shades of yellow, orange, and red, with some green leaves still visible.

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Sedgefield Church
Court Yard & Front Lawn
Everyone Welcome!

Food ★ **fun
for
all** ★ *Games*



**You are invited to join the
Sedgefield Church
Group Me Prayer Group.**



Sedgefield Church has a notification platform through Group Me which enables Pastor Tom to let people know when someone from our congregation is in need of prayer.

Many of you already receive these notifications.

If you would like to be part of this group, please email

PastorTom@SedgefieldChurch.org

and give him your cellphone number (preferred) or your email address and he will add you to this group.

This is an opportunity to minister to each other through prayer.

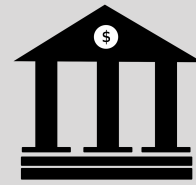
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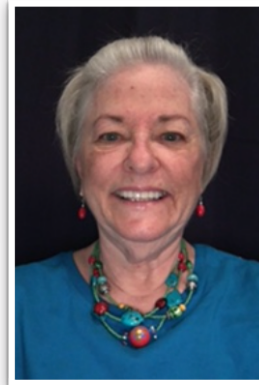
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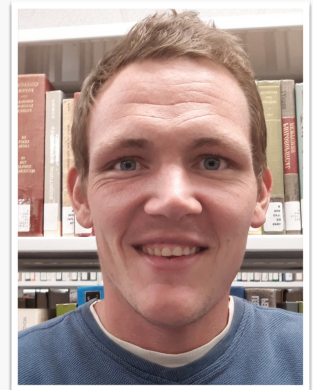
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