

SCC News

Skidaway Community Church

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Guest Pastor this Sunday

The Rev. John G Ruehl, IV is an ordained PC(USA) Teaching Elder, who works as the Outreach Coordinator for Union Mission of Savannah. He is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary and will begin work on his DMin this summer through Drew University, focusing on Spirituality and Pilgrimage. Rev Ruehl is married to Rev Chrissy Ruehl, who is Minister of Children and Families at Isle Of Hope UMC. Together they have a daughter, Remy (8yo), and a son, Ethan (6). They live on Isle of Hope and enjoy sports, camping and being outdoors.

Mother's Day Offering

Through the past year of the coronavirus pandemic, the folks at Presbyterian Homes of Georgia have remained true to the mission of ensuring that no resident who has outlived their financial means is asked to leave the home.

During normal times literature and envelopes would be provided to remind congregants to support this cause. This year that has not happened. None the less the need is real and funds are needed. The Mission Committee is asking that you consider giving to the Mother's Day offering between May 9 and the end of the month. Please write your checks to Skidaway Community Church and write in the memo line Mother's Day Offering. Thank you.

Music Notes Sunday Service 9:55 AM

Mother's Day, love, women composers and authors are celebrated in music this Sunday performed by women! The prelude is "A Mother's Prayer" by Juliet Calkins. The tender and sweet work pays tribute to mothers everywhere. It is in ABA form with the beautiful melody in the A section heard over a gently rocking accompaniment. The B section introduces a steady and slower rhythmic pulse and a change to a key a third lower before the return of the A section.

Taylor will lead the opening hymn "A Christian Home" which was often requested by Mark and Susan Usher. It is a perfect one to sing on Mother's Day with its message of Christ as the center and foundation of the family. The second verse begins "O give us homes with godly fathers, mothers, who always place their hope and trust in Him..." The words were written by Barbara Hart in 1965 and is paired with the famous tune "Finlandia" written in 1899 by Finnish composer Jean Sibelius.



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Sunday Worship Service

9:55 AM

Guest Pastor
Rev. John Ruehl

"Abiding in Christ's Love"

Temporary Clerk of Session:

Lynne Kaley

Elders

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Marcia Dodd

John Evans

Eleanor Graham

Lynne Kaley

Class of 2022

Vic Bell

Howard Gandelot

Sue Jones

Dean Smith

Class of 2023

David Denhard

Kurt Kalwitz

Don Mayer

Milo Moore

Taylor will lead the second verse of the next hymn, “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me.” The first verse was sung a couple of weeks ago. This hymn has a Savannah connection. The text is by Paul Gerhardt and translated from the German by John Wesley. He learned the original German hymn from the Moravians during his time in Savannah, Georgia and translated all 16 verses. Of the two famous Wesley brothers who founded Methodism, John was known as the translator of hymns, and his brother Charles was known for his original hymns. The tune is by Henri Frederick Hemy and will be familiar as the tune to which we sing “Faith of Our Fathers.”

Verses 2 and 3 of “Come, All Christians, Be Committed” were chosen to highlight the scripture reading for Sunday, John 15:9-17 and specifically verse 17: “This I command you, to love one another.” The third verse of the text published in 1966 and written by Missouri native Eva B. Lloyd reads, “God’s command to love each other is required of every man. Showing mercy to a brother mirrors His redemptive plan. In compassion He has given of His love that is divine; on the cross sins were forgiven; joy and peace are fully thine.” The tune known as “Beach Spring” is a traditional American melody first published in *The Sacred Harp* in 1844. It should be familiar to most of us as the tune (different text) chosen as the theme of a seven Sunday series from March 10 through April 21 in 2019.

The closing hymn will be “In My Heart There Rings a Melody” by Indiana native Elton M. Roth (1891-1951). He attended Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, traveled with evangelical tours and was a well-known musician in his day writing over 100 hymns. The story is told that the hymn came to Roth while on one of his evangelical tours in Texas in 1923. That evening he introduced the song to more than 200 boys and girls who sang it at an outdoor meeting and were joined by the entire audience. The refrain ends, “In my heart there rings a melody of love.”

“Share His Love with All the World” by Trenton Watkins will be the postlude. Joanne S. Buck sums up the piece perfectly, “The rhythm here is driving, insistent, as well as being fun to play. It seems to send out its message with joy and enthusiasm. There are no ritards (slowing down) throughout, even at the end. It is what might be called a “slam-bang” ending. WOW!”

Dear church members,

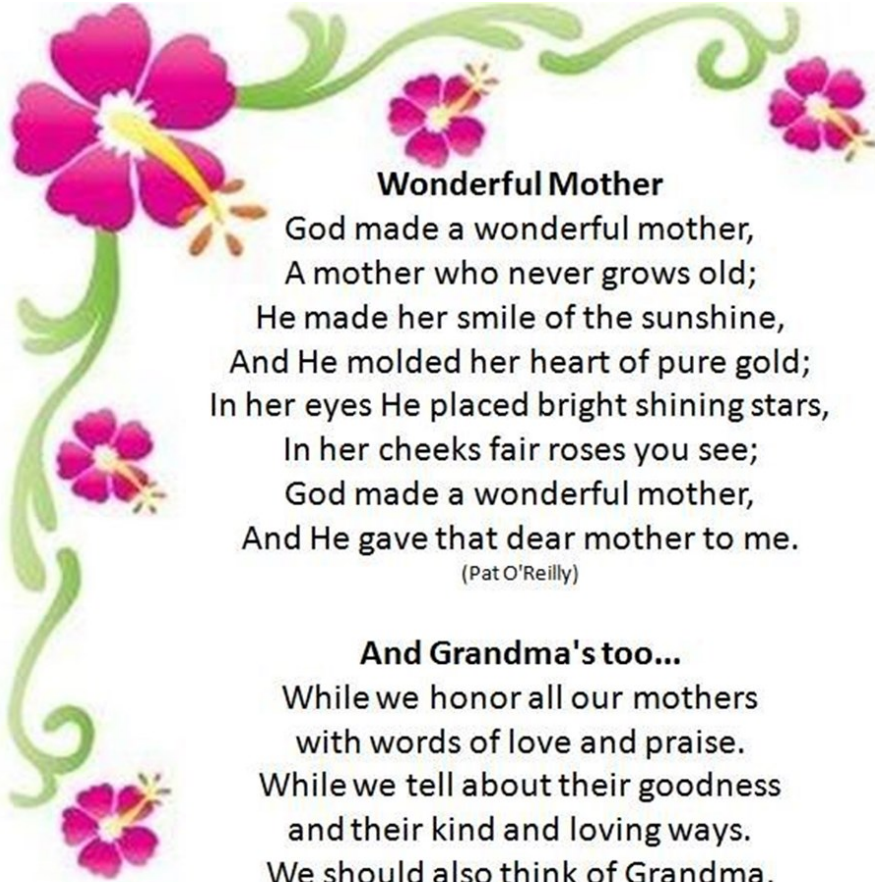
Thank you so very much for the lovely recognition in last Sunday’s service including the delicious cookies being handed out and the generous love offering presented to me. Your kindness filled my heart!

As I embrace this new chapter in my life, I will carry with me the honor of being a pastor to you. Thank you for letting me share in your joys and sorrows through hospital and home visits and chats over the phone, for considering the message of the scriptures with me through sermons and studies, and for saying “yes” whenever I called on you to join me in initiatives and projects I hoped would strengthen the church.

I pray that God will continue to bless you richly as you endeavor to seek His will and reflect the face of Jesus to the world. Until we are together again...

Peace and love to you all,

Dannie



Wonderful Mother

God made a wonderful mother,
A mother who never grows old;
He made her smile of the sunshine,
And He molded her heart of pure gold;
In her eyes He placed bright shining stars,
In her cheeks fair roses you see;
God made a wonderful mother,
And He gave that dear mother to me.

(Pat O'Reilly)

And Grandma's too...

While we honor all our mothers
with words of love and praise.
While we tell about their goodness
and their kind and loving ways.
We should also think of Grandma,
she's a mother too, you see....
For she mothered my dear mother
as my mother mothers me.

Author Unknown

COMMUNITY PRAYER & PRAISE

Every Sunday evening from 5:00 to 5:30PM
(weather permitting)

50 Diamond Causeway

Outside in the back
under the Big Oak Tree

There is plenty of room
for kids to roam & everyone
to social distance.



Join us for casual contemporary Christian Music
led by Sabin Flore, along with a short message
from our transitional pastor the Rev. Steve Thomas.

Come by cart or bring your own chair

"Dogs Welcome"



Sign up for our confidential email
list for weekly announcement
& weather related updates

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or our QR code



Sabin Flore

Sunday Worship Services

Last Sunday, 47 members attended our worship service, 10 attended the Community Prayer and Praise Gathering and 38 locations signed in to view via our live stream, which is available from our website at: www.skidcc.org and on YouTube at: <http://skidawaypres.org/youtube>

Please check out our website at skidcc.org frequently for the latest information on church activities and cancellations.

The worship service is being streamed live. To watch, please go to our website: www.skidcc.org and select LIVE STREAM BUTTON.

If you miss the 9:55 AM Live Stream, just visit our YouTube channel at: <http://skidawaypres.org/youtube> to watch a recording of the service. While you are there, please SUBSCRIBE to our YouTube channel and get notifications of future Live Stream events and video additions.

Birthday's This Week

May 12	May 13	May 14
Blake Phillips	Mark Usher	Katy Smith



This Week at SCC

Sunday, May 9

9:55 AM Worship Service

5:00 PM Community Prayer and Praise Gathering

Monday, May 10

11:00 AM Sarah Ruth Circle Meeting

(Zoom) 4:00 PM Missions and Benevolence Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 11

1:00 PM Worship Committee Meeting

(Zoom) 4:00 PM Fellowship Committee Meeting

4:00 PM Pastor Nominating Committee Meeting

4:00 PM Property Committee Meeting

6:00 PM Scout Spring Court of Honor

Wednesday, May 12

(Zoom) 4:00 PM Personnel Committee Meeting

Saturday, May 15

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Church Phone Number 912-598-0151

Staff Extensions

Jim Brown	Administrator	1105
James Eleczko	Finance	1103
Maria Rogers	Preschool Director	1106
Dr. Mary McKee	Music Director	1107
Betty Gorman	Office Coordinator	

(Leave a message in the general mailbox for Betty)

MEMBERS

Ann Ash
Karen Bailey
Lee Cassady
Salty Forbes
Nancy Heck
Dick Higgins
Marie Kemp
Sarah Lanier
Andy Lohn
Peggy Thompson
Jack Richardson
June Richardson
Diane Schwind
George Schwind
Curt Shambaugh
David Squires
Maureen Squires
Kelli Usher
Paul Walter
Anne Welsh
Mary Yeomans

PRAYER REQUESTS

For Friends and Family

Brian Beebe, *Friend of Austin Eskew*
Janet Beerman, *Friend of Sherry Leblang*
John Carpenter, *Brother of Grace Walter*
Jackie Cashwell, *Sister of Nancy Gloege*
Scott Cassady, *Son of Lee and Mary Cassady*
David Cavitt, *Son of Mary Alice Cavitt*
Rowan Collier ("Row Boat"), *son of Brigitte & Rev. Dr. Todd Hal Collier, former Associate Minister at SIPC*
Joyce Chamberlin, *Friend of Joe & Carol Young*
Kelly Congleton, *Daughter of Michael and Sherry Congleton*
Deanna Kinnaman, *Friend of Joe and Carol Young*
Ryker Cook, *Friend of Caroline Garrison*
Pete Dillingham, *Son-in-law of Mary Fritz*
Amy Douglas, *Friend of the Jones Family*
Iris Eskew, *Mother of Sam Eskew*
Jimmy Ferrell, *Friend of Jim and Eloise Melton*
Nick Francisco, *Nephew of Lynne Kaley*
Sam Garcia, *Friend of Austin Eskew*
Sam Gates, *Grandson of Don and Sandy Mayer*
Kimberly Greenlaw, *Wife of Thom Greenlaw*
Hollie Godbee, *Daughter of Paula Godbee, Former Administrator of SIPC*
Peggy Hedeman, *Friend of Anne Welsh*
Joe and Hilde Gibson, *Friends of Vic and Jean Bell*
John, *Friend of Alice & Bruce LaVigne*
Ehoch Gonzales, *Friend of Austin Eskew and Fellow Marine*
Josh Hancock and family, *Nephew of Carri Stoltz*
Kerry Goode, *Friend of Ann Fendig*
Benji Hall, *Friend of Richard and Karen Fisher*

For Friends and Family

Jim and Judy Hannah, *Friends of Mary Yeomans*
Emily Horton and her family, *Neighbors of Kelli and Matt Usher*
Larry Hutcheson, *Friend of Sherry Leblang*
Michael Just, *Friend of Bob and Jane Reinhard*
Kaleigh, *Friend of Karen Fisher*
Elsa Lindenschmidt, *Friend of Carri Stoltz*
Peter Liney, *Father-in-law of Sherry Liney*
Jeff Magee, *Brother-in-law of Diane Schwind*
Mary McKeever, *daughter-in-law of former members, Dennis and Cathy McKeever*
Tom Malley, *Brother of Maureen Squires*
Larry Nelson, *Friend of Sherry Liney*
Speer Nesbit, *Son of Preschool Family*
Nick & Kathy, *Friends of Alice & Bruce LaVigne*
Nedra O'Brien, *Friend of Dee Angell*
Lanny Rhodes, *Friend of Sam and Kay Eskew*
The family of Maria Rogers, *Staff Member*
Chris Richardson, *Friend of Sam Eskew*
Mary Romanos, *Friend of Carol and Joe Young*
Nicki Sands, *Friend of Diane Tracy*
Nancy Strobel, *Friend of Joe Young*
Jenna Thorstenson and her family, *Granddaughter of Dave and Dee Angell*
Bob Titus, *Brother of Mary Alice Cavitt*
Wally, *Friend of Greg Crabtree, Chattanooga, TN*
Tim White, *Cousin of Diane Tracy*
Wayne Wilcox, *Friend of Bob and Carolyn Ernest*
Nancy Williford, *Sister of Saunda Thomas*
Shirley Wilson, *Sister of Nancy Gloege*
Nancy Zarich, *Sister of Bill Foster*
Alex Young, *Husband of Marge Young*

For Those Serving In the Military

Philip Boggs, *servicing in the Army, stationed in Ft. Huachuca, Arizona, grandson of Patty Boggs*
Devin Crute, *servicing Homeland Security/Border Patrol, grandson of Lori Harris*
Zach Crute, *servicing in the U.S. Navy, stationed at the San Diego, CA, Naval Base, grandson of Lori Harris*
Sidney Evans, *stationed at Fort Stewart, Georgia, granddaughter of Eric and Gerry Flicker*
Richard Kelly, *servicing in the U.S. Navy, grandson of Margie Kelly*
Elizabeth Evans, *servicing in the Florida National Guard, daughter of John and Karen Evans*
Patrick Lenihan, *servicing in U. S. Marines, Yuma, Arizona, nephew of Barbara Beckwith*
Dolan Lewis, *servicing as a nuclear engineer aboard the USS Ohio submarine, SC, grandson of Don and Sandy Mayer*
Matt Quinn, *servicing in the U.S. Army, related to the Baumgardner family*
Taylor White, *servicing in the U.S. Navy, grandson of Bunny Ludtke*

- **SCC's Mission**
Love God. Love your neighbor. Change the World
- **SCC's Vision**
To be a joyful, thriving church reflecting the face of Jesus to the world.
- **Core Values**
Demonstrating God's Love By:
Welcoming all we meet
Offering time, knowledge and resources
Respecting all people and their beliefs
Serving others to make our community better
Helping those in need
Improving so we can do everything better
Praying for the guidance from the Holy Spirit

Reflecting the face of Jesus

Celebrations

If you have a celebration that you would like to share with our members please send it to me and I will include in the newsletter. A few examples but not limited to: anniversary, birth of a child, grandchild, wedding, graduation, new puppy, new car, vacation, pictures from your garden or other celebrations!

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