

From the Prayer Calendar
December 9th

Bowling Green
Clover, SC
(70 members)

IN THE KNOW

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Advent, not just another Christmas countdown. It's Christmas, the most wonderful time of the year — right? Wrong. At least, liturgically. Before Christians in many liturgical traditions celebrate Christmas, they observe a season of Advent that traditionally has been referred to as “a little Lent,” the 40-day season of repentance leading up to Easter. [Read the Article.](#)

A memorial service for Inez Glasgow will be held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. at Purity Presbyterian Church, 135 Wylie Street, Chester, South Carolina 29706. Visitation and a reception will be held after the service in the fellowship hall. Inez served as the Administrative Assistant in the office of Providence Presbytery for over 21 years. She retired on May 31, 2018. Please keep Inez's husband Henry and their sons and families in your prayers.

Montreat Summer Staff Application is Online. Montreat Conference Center shares in ministering to people of all ages and provides a safe place for children from six months to graduating seniors to come and spend some of their summer. In order to keep the conference center running throughout the summer months, we require the help of 130 or so summer staff who like to work and play hard. Think you might be interested? Then take a look here <https://montreat.org/summer-staff>



Pinnacle Network Partners Invites you to Attend the Following Webinars. Pinnacle Network Partners Monthly Conversation **December 5--1-2PM** Eastern, TOPIC: “Growing with Your Church” Presenter: Dr. Dan Holloway
The Tenzing Norgay Factor: Four Leadership Lessons to Help You Reach the Mountaintop of Church Planting
December 11--11 am ET Presenter: Dr. Doug Cushing Cost: \$20. Register to attend these and other [Pinnacle Workshops here.](#)

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center to Offer Clergy Clinic in Charlotte in 2019. The Clergy Clinic in Family Emotional Process is designed to enhance the ability of participants to function as self-differentiated leaders within their own ministry setting. It will provide a safe forum for processing challenging situations in one's ministry, while also facilitating reflection on a way of thinking about the human condition which has implications for all aspects of life. Tuition is \$1400 for the nine day series meeting at St. Andrews United Methodist in Charlotte March 11-13, June 3-5 and September 9-11. [Find out more or register.](#)

Surviving the Stress of the Season Workshop Offered to Churches. The Saluda Center is offering to Providence Presbytery churches a 30 to 45 minute presentation called “Surviving the Stress of the Season”. If any church would like us to come to a Wednesday night supper, a Circle meeting, a Sunday School class, etc. We would love for them to call Mary Hoppmann, at 803-981-2834 and request it.

Saluda Center Welcomes All to Open House. Please Join us for Some Christmas Cheer!
DECEMBER 7TH, 2018, 3PM- 5:30PM, 2400 W. MAIN STREET, ROCK HILL, SC 29732.
[Download the Flyer for your church Bulletin Board or use the bulletin insert.](#)



More Bethelwoods News and Events

TTT White Elephant Gift Exchange. Join Bethelwoods for TTT Tuesday, December 18th from 10:30AM – 1:00PM Join us for lunch and our annual White Elephant Gift Exchange! Cost is only \$10/person and all you have to do is call 803-366-3722 to reserve your space.

Looking for a camp experience during Christmas break? Register your kids for the 2018 Winter Retreat December 27th – December 29th, retreat includes advent teaching, Christmas crafts, holiday games and traditional camp adventures! Register today at www.bethelwoods.org

Want to see the Christmas lights in McAdenville? Join the TTT crew Tuesday December 4th for this annual outing, cost is \$ 22 and includes meal, programming and transportation call 803-366-3722 to reserve your space.

Faith and Sexuality Retreat for 5th-7th Graders and their parents coming in February. Sign up today for this great event presented by Providence Presbytery's Education and Equipping Ministry Team and Bethelwoods. Led by chaplain Nicole Newton, this overnight retreat is designed to open communication as your youth looks toward all the changes that are coming as she/he enters middle and high school. The goal is to help parents set these and future conversations around puberty, adolescence, and sexuality within the context of faith, and learn to share your values as you talk with your youth about these topics. The overnight retreat will be held February 22-23 and cost is \$100 per youth. [Find out more.](#) Register online [at Bethelwoods.com](http://Bethelwoods.com).

Mark your calendars now with the upcoming dates for Lay School: . *SPRING 2019: MARCH 22-24* and *FALL 2019: OCTOBER 11-13*

| Date | Event | Time | Location |
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| 12/7 | Saluda Center Open House | 3-5:30PM | Saluda Center |
| 12/15 | Retirement Event for Mark Verdery | | First Pres Rock Hill |
| 12/24-28 | Presbytery office closed | | |
| 1/10 | Children of Abraham | 10:30AM | Presbytery Office |
| 1/31 | EEMT | 10AM | Presbytery Office |

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