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Operation Christmas Child: It's National Collection Week! Please drop off your filled shoeboxes at the designated table in the atrium this Monday through Friday from 3 to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon, or next Sunday. We can still use more strong men to help load the truck Monday, November 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. For more information, please call Yolanda Ramirez at 843.310.1437, or write josh@communitybiblechurch.us.

CBC Prime Timers will get together *this Tuesday* at the Golden Corral in Bluffton at 5:30 p.m.

Trail Life: Do you have camping equipment that you're not currently using? Our new Trail Life troop is in need of camping equipment and cooking gear for their first camping trip next month. If you have equipment to donate, please contact Duane Shotwell, traillife@communitybiblechurch. us, or bring it to the Beaufort or Bluffton campus before December 1.

CBC Toy Tree: Members can register themselves or nominate another CBC family for this year's Toy Tree. You may register through Sunday, November 26. Be sure and pick up a form at the reception desk. The Toy Tree exists so that the children of unemployed or underemployed CBC members may receive a gift this Christmas.

Thank you to all the men that served, and thank you to all for attending the Men's Wildlife Supper.

Prayers for, and deepest sympathy to Pastor Ed and Debbie Vernoy and family in the passing of Pastor Ed's father, Edward M. Vernoy, Jr. * * * * *

VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED





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Welcome!

ARE WE SAFE?

Dear Members & Friends of CBC,

We are all deeply saddened as we grieve over the lives lost and the injuries sustained in the senseless evil that took place this past Sunday at the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, Texas,

I thank you for praying with me for the families and friends whose loved ones have gone home to be with the Lord, as well as for the many who are still hospitalized. God promises that the effectual fervent praver of a righteous believer will accomplish much (James 5:16). I am believing that what Satan meant for evil, God will use for good (John 10:10; Genesis 50:20).

With fewer and fewer Americans attending church, and with a nation that continues to turn away from honoring God as God, we are seeing the fruit of these decisions lived out (Romans 1:18-32). Instead of being raised and nurtured on the Holy Scriptures (2 Timothy 2:15), children are now being raised on violent video games and television programs. Most of you understand that the problems facing society are not primarily mental but spiritual. And unless our nation wakes up to this reality, the problem will only increase. God warns, - "As one thinks in his heart (or mind), so is he." His actions will soon follow his thoughts (Proverbs 23:7). Sadly, sometimes the fruit of these thoughts is expressed in gun violence entering a local church.

After this horrific reality settles in, it is only natural to ask questions like, "What if this were to happen at Community Bible Church, where I worship?"

It could happen here; in fact, it could happen anywhere. The horrific shooting of June. 2015, when the pastor and eight members of the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in downtown Charleston were shot to death, is still fresh in our minds.

Inevitably, the questions become personal. Questions, such as, "Are we safe at church?"

The Center for Homicide Research, a highly respected independent non-profit based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, confirms that the data studied from 1980 to 2016 indicates that churches are not any more or any less likely to be sites of gun violence than other publicly accessible spaces. With that said, we still need to be prepared.

Community Bible Church pro-actively began that preparation process some ten years ago when our safety team was formed. While I am not equipped to answer the specifics of Sutherland Springs. I do want to address some of the concerns that have been expressed at CBC.

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We're so glad you've come to worship with us today!

One person asked, "Why does South Carolina law (SC 23-31-215-M-8) forbid carrying firearms into a church, even to those who have a concealed carry permit? Perhaps if everybody were armed, bad guys would be quickly taken care of."

It is for this very reason that only qualified and trained individuals who are sanctioned by the church's leadership are permitted to carry weapons on church property. Imagine a scenario where a shot is fired in a crowded venue, and suddenly everybody reaches for their weapons. Add to that the arrival of law enforcement on a scene where everybody is brandishing a firearm. You can imagine the chaos that might ensue.

God inspired King David to write, "Some trust in chariots and others in horses, but we depend on the Lord our God" (Psalm 20:7). I obviously believe what God said with all my heart. But the fact remains that God still gave Israel their chariots and horses. Not to mention the New Testament reminds us that God gives "the sword" as a deterrent for evil (Romans 13:4). Thus, we have a safety team who prays, just as we pray for them...but they also keep their "swords" sharp.

Knowing the times in which we live and the potential for mayhem, the church leadership has sought to develop a team of men and women committed to ensuring the safety of those seeking to worship without worry. These safety team members are among us every time we gather for worship and for other activities at all our church campuses. They are dressed just like you and me and are known only to each other and to a select group of individuals. including local law enforcement. Each one has been thoroughly vetted through State and Federal authorities. In addition, they spend countless hours in training to protect and prevent the types of tragedy we have seen take place at schools, shopping centers, concerts, churches, movie theaters and other public gathering places.

The head of our safety team wrote me in an email this morning, "Team members are placed in one of two levels. The general team consist of newer members, those with basic skills, and those who cannot commit at the level needed to advance. They have three or four training days each year and are required to pass a qualifier. The advanced team members have enhanced skills, train on a regular basis, and are fully committed. Most of the advanced team members have participated in almost 300 hours of training in the last three vears."

I am thankful for those willing to take this training so they might serve us. This training includes regular attendance at safety seminars, participation in full-day mock exercises dealing with any potential problems that might arise and, of course, the administration of first aid and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation.

The safety of our church members and visitors is further enhanced through a large network of security cameras throughout all our buildings and church grounds.

We follow the motto, "If you see something, say something," And our deacons and ushers are instructed to report anything suspicious to church personnel. Policies are also in place that include the checking of backpacks and diaper bags. In short, we take safety seriously at CBC.

Today's Worship Service

WORSHIP IN SONG "GREAT ONE IN THREE" "AMAZING GRACE. MY CHAINS ARE GONE"

> "WHEN TRIALS COME" "ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST" "IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL"

> > WELCOME

"FACING A TASK UNFINISHED" "OH HOW GOOD IT IS" THE KING'S CHOIR

"THERE IS A FOUNTAIN"

SERMON "THE UNBELIEVING BELIEVER" DR. CARL BROGGI

INVITATION "TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE"

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD VIDEO**

BENEDICTION "AMAZING GRACE. MY CHAINS ARE GONE"

The pastors and elders of Community Bible Church are committed to shepherding the flock. These days, that includes not only the safety of your souls, but your physical safety, as well. Having said all that, we want to remind you that Community Bible Church is still a place where you can feel comfortable: where relationships with God and with others are developed.

Please know that I and all of our staff are available to answer any concerns you may have. And never, ever forget that the enemy of our souls thrives on promoting fear. Yet the body of Christ is fearless, knowing that "greater is He that is in us than he who is in the world" (1 John 4:4). I look forward to seeing you this Sunday.

Sincerely in Christ. Pastor Carl

orning Worship: 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.	This week					
dult Bible Fellowships	November 13	November 14	November 15	November 16	November 17	November 18
and Kids Sunday School: 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.	6:15 p.m. Woman's Life at Night	5:30 p.m. Prime Timers - Bluffton	6:30 p.m. Evening Worship	5:50 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal	6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study -	9:00 a.m. Christmas Musical
VANA/Crossroads: 5:30 p.m.		Golden Corral	6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs	6:00 p.m. FRONTLINES for Teens	Bluffton	Rehearsal
eet the Pastor: 5:30 p.m.		6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study	Genesis Choir (4s, 5s, K)	6:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal		
lengage: 5:30 p.m.		9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study	Sonrise Choir (1st-3rd grade)	7:15 p.m. Meet the Pastor		
ngle Mom's: 5:30 p.m.		7:00 p.m. Conquer Series - Men	King's Choir (4th-6th grade)			
eacons of the Day: Brantley Wilson - 9:15 a.m.			6:30 p.m. AWANA - Graniteville			
Troy Livingston - 11:00 a.m.						
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"GREAT ONE IN THREE"

Come now, Almighty King, rule and reign over us. Help us Your praise to sing, Father, glorious. Embracing us before all time, You made us heirs with Christ on high. By Your Spirit now we cry, "Abba, Father!"

(Chorus)

We long for the day, Great One in Three, we finally behold Your majesty. Face to face, we'll worship and adore forevermore.

Speak now, Incarnate Word, of Your relentless love bearing our fatal curse with Your living blood. When guilt and doubt come rushing in, help us see Your cross again. You're the Rock on which we live, Jesus, Savior.

(Chorus)

We long for the day, Great One in Three, we finally behold Your majesty. Face to face, we'll worship and adore forevermore.

Come, Holy Comforter, give grace to weary hearts, bring back the wanderer, drive away the dark. You're the summer of our souls, You're the fountain of our hope; Our assurance here below, Spirit of the Son.

(Chorus)

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"AMAZING GRACE, MY CHAINS ARE GONE"

Amazing grace how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace, my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

(Chorus)

My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood His mercy reigns; Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me. His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

(Chorus x 2)

And like a flood His mercy reigns; Unending love, amazing grace.

"WHEN TRIALS COME"

When trials come, no longer fear, for in the pain our God draws near to fire a faith worth more than gold; And there His faithfulness is told--And there His faithfulness is told.

Within the night I know Your peace; The breath of God brings strength to me, and new each morning mercies flow as treasures of the darkness grow--As treasures of the darkness grow.

I turn to wisdom not my own, for every battle You have known. My confidence will rest in You; Your love endures, Your ways are good--Your love endures, Your ways are good.

When I am weary with the cost, I see the triumph of the cross. So in its shadow I shall run till You complete the work begun--Till You complete the work begun.

One day all things will be made new, I'll see the hope You called me to, And in your kingdom paved with gold I'll praise Your faithfulness of old--I'll praise Your faithfulness of old!

"ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST"

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way. The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will, and if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost, You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross. And I beheld God's love displayed; You suffered in my place. You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace.

(Chorus) Hallelujah! All I have is Christ; Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

Now Lord I would be Yours alone, and live so all might see the strength to follow Your commands could never come from me. Oh Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose,

Oh Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose, and let my song forever be, "My only boast is You."

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"IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL"

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Though Satan should buffet, tho' trials should come, let this blest assurance control; That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed His own blood for my soul.

(Chorus) It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul); It is well, it is well, with my soul.

My sin, O, the bliss of this glorious thought; My sin, not in part, but the whole is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.

And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend; "Even so" it is well with my soul.

(Chorus) It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul); It is well, it is well, with my soul.

THE KING'S CHOIR "FACING A TASK UNFINISHED"

Facing a task unfinished that drives us to our knees. A need that, undiminished, rebukes our slothful ease. We, who rejoice to know Thee, renew before Thy throne the solemn pledge we owe Thee-- to go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee hold their unhindered sway; where forces that defied Thee defy Thee still today. With none to heed their crying for life, and love, and light, unnumbered souls are dying and pass into the night.

We go to all the world, with kingdom hope unfurled. No other name has power to save but Jesus Christ The Lord.

We bear the torch that, flaming, fell from the hands of those who gave their lives proclaiming that Jesus died and rose. Ours is the same commission, the same glad message ours, fired by the same ambition, to Thee we yield our powers.

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O Father who sustained them, O Spirit who inspired, Savior, whose love constrained them to toil with zeal untired. From cowardice defend us, from lethargy awake! Forth on Thine errands send us to labor for Thy sake.

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THE KING'S CHOIR "OH HOW GOOD IT IS"

Oh how good it is when the family of God dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity. Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love are the fruit of His presence here among us.

(Chorus)

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord, and with one heart we'll live out His Word. 'Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come, for He dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh how good it is on this journey we share, to rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn. For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace, when we offer the blessing of belonging.

(Chorus)

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord, and with one heart we'll live out His Word. 'Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come, for He dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh how good it is to embrace His command to prefer one another, forgive as He forgives. When we live as one, we all share in the love of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.

(Chorus)

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"THERE IS A FOUNTAIN"

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins, and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains; Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains, and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day, and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away; Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away, and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

E're since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply, redeeming love has been my theme and shall be till I die; And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die, redeeming love has been my theme and shall be till I die.

When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave, then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save; I'll sing Thy pow'r to save, I'll sing Thy pow'r to save, then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save.

INVITATION "TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE"

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee, swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee, filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine; Take my heart it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne, it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for Thee, ever, only, all for Thee.

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