

## WEEKLY STATISTICS

Statistics	SS	Worship	Budget Received
<i>Weekly Budget Requirements 2026:</i>			\$6,462.00
02/01/2026	No service due to Snow		\$4,508.00
02/08/2026	50	84	\$10,131.00
02/15/2026	52	81	\$2,431.00
02/22/2026	55	97	N/A

### AC/HEATING UNIT

#### WEST SIDE SANCTUARY NOT WORKING

This means that we are trying to heat the sanctuary with one unit out versus our normal four units. You could probably feel the chill in the room this past Sunday and it wasn't a particularly cold day. Building & Grounds has already secured one quote from MacArthur Heating and Cooling, and it will cost approximately \$16,000 to replace. In our 2026 budget we only have \$5,000 that can be used for AC / Heating equipment, and that is for the entire year. At this point, we just wanted to make the congregation aware of the situation. We don't currently have any recommendations to communicate on how we as a church resolve this problem, but further details will be provided ASAP.

### MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

For On **March 2nd, at 6:00 pm** all men are invited for a time of good food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall. Come, enjoy, and bring a friend. For more information, please see Eric Hayes.

### DEAR CHURCH FAMILY,

Thank you for your kindness to Mama Doll's family. The prayers, food, cards, and visits were very appreciated. Mama Doll was always read to come to church, because you made her feel so loved. We love you all!

Deb & Danny Hall



### West Hartsville Baptist Church Staff

Dr. Kevin Walters, *Pastor*  
Sarah Roberts, *Worship Leader*  
Deb Hall, *Pianist*  
Jessica Garvin, *Director of Children*  
Lori Norton, *Ministry Assistant*  
Tracie Brown, *Financial Secretary*  
Ronald Brockington, *Custodian*

### HARTSVILLE SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY

**Thursday, March 19th**

9:00 AM-12:00 PM to volunteer for 6 slots that are available each month.

*Please sign up in the Church Office.*

### Y'ALL ARE THE BEST!

My family and I are extremely thankful for the all the prayers, cards, calls, food, etc. since Ashley's husband, Kyle's accident. It truly means a lot to us that y'all love us so much and we love you too. We are convinced that the prayers of so many is the reason Kyle continues to make improvements. So, keep those prayers coming for he is far from being healed. Again, y'all are the best, and we thank you!!

Walters/Schoonmaker Family



The Mission of WHBC is to live by Faith, be a voice of Hope, and be known by Love...1 Corinthians 13:13

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

# THE SPIRIT

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## Thy Will

Several years ago, Hillary Scott, in collaboration with Emily Wiseband and Bernie Herms, wrote the popular song “Thy Will”. Scott wrote the song following her own personal tragedy, when a much-wanted pregnancy ended in a miscarriage. In her own words, Scott says, *“The song is about me talking to God and asking Him why -- like, ‘Okay, I thought this was going to happen. We prayed about it. And now we are devastated.’ It was my honest conversation with God about, why do bad things happen? But ultimately, I trust God’s will for my life, and I knew it was all going to be okay. Being able to write that song was a big part of the healing process for me.”*

Sometimes when we sincerely pray to the Lord, we get laser-focused on what we want the answer to be that we are in shock when God says “No”. Often, God has to remind us that it is His will, not ours. *“Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done.”* Though we might sometimes doubt, at our core we know that God has our best interest at heart. Our job is to trust Him whether the answer is yes or no. *“Therefore, let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need”* (Hebrews 4:16).

When we pray to the Lord with honesty and sincerity of heart, the Lord begins to mold and shape our heart to fit the desires of His heart. That’s why consistent prayer is so important. Could God answer our prayer immediately? Absolutely! But He takes the time to work in us via His Holy Spirit to get us ready for the answer. Sometimes, we might pray for days, or weeks, or months, or even years before God gives us an answer. So, we can trust in the Lord with full confidence and assurance that the Lord is going to be there to help us every step of the way. God does not need to do a miracle in our life in order prove He is God or to answer our prayer. What God promises us in His Word is that He will always be there to see us through any storm of life. For help truly is just a prayer away.

See ya Sunday,



## BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

Beginning **Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**, Pastor Kevin is challenging the good people of WHBC to join him in reading the entire Bible through in a year. The approach to reading the Bible will not be linear, book by book, but a holistic approach that allows us to read different themes and section of the Bible each week. To sign up, and receive your Bible reading plan, please see pastor Kevin or call the church office.

## THURSDAY NIGHT WORSHIP

Join us in the old sanctuary every Thursday night at **7:00 pm** for *“The Well.”* In the Bible, wells represent a variety of concepts such as life and spiritual refreshment. They are often depicted as places where people gather, dive into God’s Word and experience a rejuvenation of faith together. This is exactly what we are praying will happen at this service. The worship is glorifying to God, the setting is unique, and the experience is meaningful. For more information, see Pastor Kevin.

## ESCHATOLOGY

On **Sunday evenings at 5:00 pm**, Pastor Kevin will begin giving a series of lectures on eschatology. Eschatology is the study of what the Bible says is going to happen in the end times. How we understand Eschatology has an impact on how we should live our lives and what we are to expect to occur in God’s plan. What we believe concerning the end time prophecies can play a role in how we worship God, serve His people, and spread the Gospel message. The lectures will also contain time for open discussion. For more information, please see Pastor Kevin.

## YOUNG AT HEART

On **Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**, Young at Heart will be traveling to Charleston, SC to engage in a Pirate Escape Scavenger Hunt. The bus leaves at **8:45 am**. During this scavenger hunt we will go back in time to the Golden Age of Piracy along the Carolina Coastline. Using provided packet; we will follow a themed escape of Pirates during the Pirate Siege of Charles Towne in 1718. During the hunt, we will visit sites and locations that were around during the very real pirate siege of 1718 and find items to help “escape.” This is sure to be a lot of fun. The cost for this event is **\$10. Spots are limited so sign up soon.** For more information call the church office or see Pastor Kevin.

## HARTSVILLE COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES

WHBC is participating in the Hartsville Community Lenten Services which will be held each Wednesday beginning at **noon**. Each host church will have a guest preacher for the service, which will be followed by a light luncheon. Please make plans to join us for these services each week. Service for **March 4** will be held at **First Presbyterian – Rev. Fred McDaniel** from Wesley UMC will be the guest preacher. For more information, please see Pastor Kevin or call the church office.

## WOMENS MINISTRY

Ladies, mark your calendars for **Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11am** as we continue exploring the lives and experiences of some of the women God called to help shape history and hopefully gain a better understanding of their struggles, sacrifices and accomplishments. This coming month, we will be learning about Abigail and sharing our testimonies. We'd love to see you there. Please see CaraLee Henley for more information.

## LOCAL MISSIONS

For **March** we are asking for Donations for Pee Dee Coalition. Donation boxes are located in the front entrance and in the hallway near the office. The following items are needed: Paper towels; Toilet tissue; Hand sanitizer; Lotion; Deodorant; Liquid soap; Toothbrushes; Toothpaste. Remember Valentine’s Day for the children ages 2-10 boys and girls that are there. There is a list in the atrium that has more items listed that are needed. If you have questions, call Judy Armstrong.

## KIDS’ EASTER CELEBRATION

Hey, WHBC Kids, meet in the fellowship hall from **10-11:30 AM** on **Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**, for a morning packed with Easter fun! Kids ages 3 and above will enjoy an indoor scavenger egg hunt, lunch, and a craft. Parents or guardians are welcome to attend but not mandatory unless your child is not yet fully toilet trained. Invite a friend to join the fun! Contact Jessica Garvin for more information.