## **WORSHIP AND MUSIC 2024**

The Worship and Music Committee requested that the attendance and offering totals from the prior week be placed back into the worship bulletin. The committee also requested that names of members and friends of the congregation be listed under the prayer list and grieving families as well.

- WLC had Lenten services on Wednesday evenings.
- A suggestion was made to select more hymns and settings that are familiar to the congregation.
- A concern was brought up about the number of blank pages in the worship bulletin. It was suggested that this be forwarded to the secretary to conserve paper.
- This committee voted to cancel Homecoming in 2024 and 2025. A big celebration in 2026 is in the planning stages for our 125 years in existence.
- Our handbells were taken to Jeffers Handbell Supply Inc. In Irmo, South Carolina in June to be cleaned, serviced, and polished.
- A discussion concerning the lack of singing patriotic hymns during the worship service. It was suggested that we sing hymns that are listed in the hymnals to honor the men and women who serve in the military for their service on or near the celebrations of Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Veteran's Day.
- More volunteers stepped up from this committee to assist the Altar Guild in the preparation and cleanup of communion.
- The worship and music committee members began cleaning the brass items each month to keep them in good condition.
- Jeff Jones, leader of the handbells, resignation effective the end of October.
- A presentation from Theresa Pierce (a member of the Rowan Museum) on Katie Luther (Martin Luther's wife) was held during November.
- A discussion was held concerning the importance of signing the attendance/friendship register and keeping that information on file for documentation of taking part in holy communion (a requirement for an active membership). This committee asked that this reminder be repeated during the announcements and could be listed under the word announcements in the worship bulletin.
- Clay Honeycutt resignation effective Sunday, November 24th.
- Pastor John Woodard volunteered to lead our Christmas Eve service. A number of former members attended this special service.

Respectfully submitted by: Pamela Crowell