

CAJM  **Manna**
CHARLESTON AREA JUSTICE MINISTRY
Building a Charleston where justice and equity prevail

July 30, 2022

Hello from Justice Ministry Conference!



Last week, CAJM staff, co-presidents, and several of our team leaders traveled to Orlando, Florida, for DART's annual Justice Ministry Conference where we gathered with clergy and leaders from the 31 DART organizations across 10 different states! We spent five days learning about God's call on each of our lives to do justice, and how we can step into that calling by building effective justice ministries in our congregations. Through this counter-cultural work of

building people power through building relationships, we have the opportunity to make the city of Charleston look more like what God intended for our community - one where *justice rolls down like water, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream (Amos 5:24)*. One where its people reject the narrative of scarcity, hate, fear, and despair, and live into God's values of abundance, love, hope, and promise. What a gift to get to do this good work together!



Rev. Dr. Benton blessing our meal with clergy and leaders from the mid-South region!

Feeling like you missed out?! Make sure you come with us next year! Tell your organizer you want to attend the 2023 Justice Ministry Conference July 25-29.

Help us out with our Corporate Drive!

It's summertime and that means that CAJM's Corporate Investment Drive is underway! We need leaders and network members like **YOU** to tell local businesses about our work. We complete our corporate visits in small diverse groups that represent our members. This lets businesses know that when we persist and show up for each other, we can win campaigns for a more just Charleston for all to live and work.

If you can attend a visit, or would like to know more then reach out to your organizer!

We're also always seeking referrals! Do you know business owners who share CAJM values? Let us know so that we can share our work with them!

Community Events & Happenings

Make a STATEment: Fair Lending Matters

CAJM allies are working to stop predatory lenders in SC.

Predatory lenders are Charging up to 395% interest on payday and auto title loans; It's wrong for consumers, it's wrong for South Carolina. It's up to us to act. If you want to be support CAJM allies in this work, click here to email your representative and encourage them to pick up this fight next session, the more co-sponsors on the bill the better.

If you would like to learn more, reach out to CAJM staff and we will get you connected! You can email anna@thedartcenter.org.

Know a kid who needs school clothes or supplies?

Presbyterian churches across the Lowcountry—including CAJM congregations Edisto Presbyterian, Hebron Zion Presbyterian, and St. James Presbyterian—are giving out free back-to-school clothing and supplies. See the flier below for dates and locations.



Back-To-School Program

FREE
For All Students
4K Through 8th

One Set
School Clothes
And Grade Related
School Supplies

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Applicable COVID protocols will be practiced. As such we will limit each family to a maximum of five children. We serve grades K-4 through 8th grade. Each child will receive one set of clothing plus a bag of grade-specific school supplies. The child must be present to be served. A child will only be served once per year in order that we might help as many children as possible.

2022 Schedule				
Date	Church	Address	Location	Time
Sat 23 Jul	Aimwell Presbyterian Church (DT)	8925 Charleston Highway	Colleton County	10:00 AM
Wed 27 Jul	Edisto Presbyterian Church (DT)	1890 Cypress Bottom Road	Edisto Island	4:00 PM
Fri 29 Jul	Charleston Atlantic Presbytery*	4701 Park Place West	North Charleston	4:00 PM
Sat 30 Jul	Charleston Atlantic Presbytery*	4701 Park Place West	North Charleston	10:00 AM
Wed 3 Aug	Hebron Zion Presbyterian Church (DT)	2915 Bohicket Road	Johns Island	4:00 PM
Wed 3 Aug	First Presbyterian Church	419 West Main Street	Moncks Corner	4:00 PM
Thur 4 Aug	First Presbyterian Church	419 West Main Street	Moncks Corner	4:00 PM
Fri 5 Aug	Second Presbyterian Church	342 Meeting Street	Downtown Charleston	4:00 PM
Sat 6 Aug	Second Presbyterian Church	342 Meeting Street	Downtown Charleston	10:00 AM
Mon 8 Aug	Yeamans Park Presbyterian Church (DT)	5931 North Murray Drive	Hanahan	4:00 PM
Mon 8 Aug	Summerville Presbyterian Church	407 S Laurel Street	Summerville	TBD
Thur 11 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	4:00 PM
Fri 12 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	4:00 PM
Sat 13 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	10:00 AM
Sat 20 Aug	St. James Presbyterian Church (DT)	1314 Sessionville Road	James Island	10:00 AM

The times above are when doors open to the public to be served. Doors will remain open for two hours or until we reach capacity for the day, whichever comes first.

(DT) Indicates Drive Through Distribution *Former Park Circle Presbyterian Church



Have you made your 2022 investment in CAJM?

CAJM's 2022 investment drive goal is **\$215,000!** In honor of our tenth year, we are striving for 100% participation for investments! In other words, we're going ALL IN for year ten!

It's not too early to make a payment towards your 2022 CAJM investment! You can do so by clicking the link below. Reach out to your team leader or organizer with any questions about investing.

[Click here to invest!](#)

Can we do a paper swap?

CAJM was gifted paper but it's in sizes we don't use. If you use these sizes, we'd love to swap for some regular old 8 1/2 x 11 paper with you. Or if you'd like to purchase it from us, we'll give you a really good deal!

Here's what we have to swap:

Legal (8.5 x 14 inches)

6.5 cases

32,500 sheets

Tabloid (11 x 17 inches)

1 full case (2,500 sheets) + 1 partial (2,000 sheets)

4,500 sheets total

If you're interested in swapping or purchasing, please contact Amy at charlestonareajusticeministry@gmail.com.

Follow us on social media!

