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"Love isn't about what we did yesterday; it's about what we do today and tomorrow and the day after"

Grace Lee Boggs

It's Election Season!

Election season is making its fast approach as we live out our last weeks of Summer.

With our General Election taking place
November 8th, it's hard to think that we are only a fistful of busy weeks away. Along with the imperative mid-term General Elections that shape our state and national political landscape and discourse, Charleston County and Berkley County have several School Board seats, while District 2 and District 8 in Charleston County have county seats to be decided.



What are you doing to prepare for Election Day? Just like our seasons (or processes) as CAJM, we invite you to invite others into that preparation.

<u>Start with yourself</u>. Set aside time to ask questions about what is important for you to see action around as we call in these elected officials.

Be curious: Check out websites or twitter feeds to get informed on different candidates, or write an email to the candidate about pressing issues.

Invite others in: Be intentional about holding conversations with friends, neighbors, families or members of your congregations on the importance of November 8th election. Make sure your friends and family members are registered to vote before the early October deadlines.

Make a plan: Double check your registration status and precinct. Schedule a carpool to the ballot box. Get creative about voting accountability by making a group chat or by posting a "sticker pic".

Our work as CAJM is multifaceted. Our call to seek justice doesn't begin nor end at the ballot box but it is a crucial facet of participation that we own and celebrate in our process. **Every single vote counts.**

Click here to see the 2022 Charleston County Election Calendar.

Click here to see voting locations.

Upcoming Research Committee Meetings



Charleston City Council (Flooding)

Tuesday, August 16 Pre-Meeting: 4:30pm Meeting: 5:00pm

Meet at the park next to City Hall (80 Broad St) Email lydia@thedartcenter.org to RSVP



Check-in with Roper St. Francis (Healthcare)

Wednesday, August 17 Pre-Meeting: 3:00pm

Meeting: 4:00

Zoom I Click here to register and get a link

Flooding Full Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 18



6:30pm-8:00pm St. Stephen's Episcopal Church (67 Anson St) Email lydia@thedartcenter.org to RSVP



Charleston County Council (Housing)

Tuesday, August 23
Pre-Meeting: 5:45pm
Lonnie Hamilton Building (4045 Bridge View Dr)
Email amber@thedartcenter.org to RSVP



Education Full Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 8
7:00pm
Location TBD I Watch your email for details!
Email raynique@thedartcenter.org to RSVP

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 are interested in attending a corporate visit send a message to anna@thedartcenter.org.

Support CAJM by eating delicious food!

Looking for something to do this week? Head over to **Five Loaves Cafe** in Mt. Pleasant or Summerville and be sure to order their cornbread appetizer! They will be giving \$1 from every cornbread appetizer directly to CAJM.



Five Loaves joined the growing list of CAJM corporate partners this year. Thank you to Five Loaves and all of our other corporate partners! We wouldn't be able to do this work with you!

Do you know a business owner who shares CAJM values? Let us know so that we can share our work with them! Send referrals to anna@thedartcenter.org.

Community Events & Happenings

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.







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

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!

Follow us on social media!





