



Dementia and the Church

Bringing Gospel Hope and Support

Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church, Room B-111
207 Mitchell Road, Greenville, SC 29615

Part 1

Starting the Conversation - Sunday, March 30, 2025, 3-4 pm, with Q&A after

Through exploring what Dementia is and how it differs from **normal** aging, we as believers can overcome obstacles and respond with gospel hope and helpful support. The invitation to this presentation is not only to Dementia care partners but also to **adults of all ages** in the Church. The focus is learning how to think, talk about, and ultimately respond to Dementia as the whole family of God, emphasizing the integral role the Church plays in this journey.

Presented by Janet Benedict, a physical therapist and care partner for both of her parents who lived with Dementia. With her extensive experience in both the medical and relational aspects of Dementia care, Janet is passionate about seeing the Church equipped and willing to be supportive in bringing gospel hope to those impacted by Dementia.

Part 2

Modifying the Journey - Sunday, April 6, 2025, 3-4 pm, with Q&A after

This session focuses on understanding brain changes and identifying faulty lenses through which we view a person with Dementia.

Why does he function better for someone else? Why is she so apathetic? Can I make her admit she has an impairment? How do I deal with delusions, hallucinations, or agitation? Why is he “clingy” with me?

During this session, you will gain practical information on modifying thinking and responses, empowering you to better support those with Dementia and their care partners. While directed to care partners, it provides solid insight for anyone who wants to make a positive difference.

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