

CCR meets at Charleston Atlantic Presbytery, (CAP), 4701 Park Place West, North Charleston, SC 29405

January 12, 2026

1:00 **AI: The Next Renaissance or the Last Revolution?**

Chris Starr, Solution Architect for AI Governance, Rocket Mortgage

2:30 **Crypto Chronicles: From Novelty to Mania**

Calvin Blackwell, Professor, CofC

January 19, 2026 No CCR – MLK Jr. Day

January 26, 2026

1:00 **Charleston and the Golden Age of Piracy**

Adam Morrow, Pirate Historian & Author

2:30 **Winter/Spring CALL Classes**

CALL teachers will preview their classes

February 2, 2026

Weather Cancellation

February 9, 2026

1:00 **Social Trust and Democracy**

Solomon Stevens, Educator, P&C Columnist

2:30 **Climate Disruption and Flooding in the Charleston Region**

Norm Levine, Professor of Geology and Environmental Geosciences, CofC

February 16, 2026 Presentations from Feb. 2

1:00 **Yearning to Breathe Free: Immigration Law Past and Present**

James Nauck, Partner, Attorney, Nauck and Kerr Law Firm, LLC

2:30 **Astronomy in the Ancient World**

Karl Haisch Jr, Prof. of Astronomy, Horry-Georgetown Technical College

February 23, 2026

1:00 **Native Americans of the Lowcountry**

Joshua Shumak, Tribal Liaison, sponsored by SC Humanities

2:30 **Trail Marks of Courage: The True Story Behind *The Tenth Trail Mark***

Joe Looby, author

Winter/Spring 2026

March 2, 2026

1:00 **In the Course of Human Events: The Story and Myths of the Declaration of Independence**

Jeff Neale, retired Curator of Research and Collections at Middleton Place Plantation

2:30 **Understanding AI: A Friendly Guide for Curious Minds**

Rosemary Hossenlopp, Project Management Perspectives Founder/Principal Consultant

March 9, 2026

1:00 **Nutrition for Lifelong Health**

Alaine Mills, Registered Sports Dietitian, MUSC Health & Wellness Institute

2:30 **100 Things to Do in the South Carolina Lowcountry Before You Die**

Lynn & Cele (pronounced Seal) Seldon, Travel Journalists

March 16, 2026

1:00 **Preserving the Past Inspiring the Future: Friends of Charleston National Parks**

Cheri Yates, Executive Director of Friends of Charleston National Parks

2:30 **Voices Unheard: The Whole Story of the American Revolution**

Julian Gooding, Documentary Filmmaker, Storyteller, Food-ways Historian, CCPL

March 23, 2026

1:00 **Harbor Pilot Operations**

Captain John Cameron, Executive Director of the Maritime Association

2:30 **Archaeology of Gullah Geechee Foodways**

Jodi A. Barnes, Ph.D., Archaeologist, SCDNR

March 30, 2026

1:00 **Colorectal Cancer in South Carolina**

Marvella Ford, PhD, Hollings Cancer Center, MUSC

2:30 **"Payne-ful Business": Charleston's Journey to Truth**

Margaret Seidler, Historian and Author

April 6, 2026 No CCR Easter

April 13, 2026

1:00 **Performing Knowledge: Theatre as a Tool for Education and Empathy**

Meagan McMahan, PURE Theatre

2:30 **Caring for a Loved One with Cancer: Research Highlights and Future Directions**

Katherine Sterba, PhD, MPH, Department of Public Health Sciences, MUSC

April 20, 2026

1:00 ***The Charleston Journal of Captain Henry Byam Martin, R. N.***

Gregory Frohnsdorff, Author, Independent researcher; retired librarian

2:30 **Anything But Bland Book—Living Life on Your Own Terms and the Alex Murdaugh Cases**

Eric Bland, Attorney and Author, Bland Richter Law Firm

April 27, 2026

1:00 **Making the Scene: The Amazing Number of Considerations That Go into Shooting TV or Movie Scenes**

Tom Blomquist, Screenwriter, Producer, Director, Novelist, and Professor Emeritus

2:30 **From Radio Waves to Podcasts: Reviving the Golden Age of Audio Drama**

Brandon L. Joyner, Creator, Writer, and Director

May 4, 2026

12:00 **CCR Member Luncheon and Meeting**