

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

The "Un-Egg Hunt" Saturday, March 28th 10am-1pm



- * Live Entertainment
- * Bounce Houses / Slide
- * Face Painting
- * Food / Snow Cones
- * Games
- * Fun for all ages!

EASTER CANDY NEEDED!

Individually-wrapped candy (non-melting, please) is needed for our annual Easter Outreach on March 28. A donation bin for candy is located at the entrance to the Children's Hallway. Join us in stuffing eggs on Monday at 10am and Wednesday at 6:30pm. Thank you!

LUNCH & LEARN

Thursday, March 19 11:30am - 1:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Linda Howard of the Alzheimer's Association will present "Update on Basics of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia." Dementia will be defined; reversible vs. irreversible types of dementia will be discussed as well as research. A complimentary lunch will be provided. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

ALZHEIMER'S MOBILE TESTING UNIT

Tuesday, March 24 10am - 3pm in the church parking lot

Linda Howard, program specialist from the Alzheimer's Association, will offer free memory testing in the Mobile Unit from 10:00am - 3:00pm. Please see Jane Trammell, parish nurse, if you would like an appointment. Testing only takes 15 minutes.

FAMILY DINNER & A MOVIE

Friday, March 20th 6-8pm, Fellowship Hall

Join us for dinner and Veggie Tales "An Easter Carol."

This free event is for all ages - come join us!

FAMILY MINISTRY BOWLING AT BOWLAND

Sunday, March 22

We will leave after the 11am service (approx. 12:20 pm).

\$6 per person, \$3 per child (under 18) for unlimited bowling and shoes.

Bring a lunch to eat before we leave or you can

purchase food at the bowling alley (hamburgers, hotdogs, etc.)

Sign up on the Family Ministry Wall outside the church office.

RECEPTION FOR TRUDY JEFFERS

Next Sunday, March 22nd after the 11 o'clock service

Please join us for cake in Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 service to wish Trudy Jeffers a Happy 100th Birthday!

HOLY WEEK LUNCHES 11:30am - 12:30pm, Fellowship Hall

A light lunch w/ enjoyable fellowship and meaningful study.



Monday, March 30th: Dr. David DeSilva

Tuesday, March 31st: Pastor Brian James

Wednesday, April 1st: Paul Kisner

EVENTS THIS WEEK

TODAY, SUNDAY 3/15

9:30 AM Children's Sunday School/Children's Wing

9:30 AM Adult Study Options (current study topic):

Andy Stanley Video Study, Conference Room

Old Testament Law, Lounge

Timothy, New Room

"Out of the Ordinary" by Roper, Choir Room

Acts of Worship, Port

Acts of Worship, Purple Room

10:45 AM Connect 45/New Room

11:00 AM Acts of Faith/Fellowship Hall

11:15 AM Kids' Worship/Port

1:30 - 4:00 PM Stephen Ministry Training/New Room

2:00 PM Worship at Sterling House

2:00 PM Worship at Royal Palm

3:00 PM Worship at Vick Street Manor

MONDAY 3/16

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study/Conference Room

9:30 - 10:15 AM Clap, Tap & Jingle/Fellowship Hall

9:00 AM Exercise Class/Fellowship Hall

9:30 AM Worship at Courtyard Assisted Living

10:00 AM Easter Egg Stuffing/Lobby

10:00 AM Worship at Lexington Manor

7:00 PM Salty Service/Conference Room

TUESDAY 3/17

9:30 - 10:15 AM Clap, Tap & Jingle/Fellowship Hall

9:30 AM Dorcas Circle (at the home of Dorothy Mann 743-0680)

9:30 AM Women's Study/New Room

9:30 AM Worship at Sandhill Gardens

1:30 PM Women's Bible Study/Conference Room

5:30 - 7:00 PM Worship Team/Fellowship Hall

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study/New Room

WEDNESDAY 3/18

8:00 AM Emmaus Men/Chick-fil-A

9:00 - 10:00 AM Exercise/Fellowship Hall

10:00 AM Wesley Bells/Choir

1:00 - 3:00 PM GriefShare/New Room

4:00 - 7:30 PM Bloodmobile

5:00 - 6:30 PM WNO Dinner/Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM Children's Ministry/Port

6:00 - 8:15 PM UMY/Youth Room

6:15 PM Choir/Sanctuary

6:30 PM Easter Egg Stuffing/Lobby

6:30 PM Life Together Group/Conference Room

6:30 PM Pastor's Study/New Room

7:30 PM Direction & Hope Bible Study/Conference Room

THURSDAY 3/19

11:00 AM Emmaus Women/Lounge

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Lunch & Learn/Fellowship Hall

3:00 PM Alzheimers' Support Group/Conference Room

3:00 - 4:30 PM Church History Class/New Room

7:00 - 8:00 PM Bible Study/Lounge

FRIDAY 3/20

8:30 AM Bulletin Team/New Room

9:00 - 10:00 AM Exercise/Fellowship Hall

9:30 AM Stephen Ministry/New Room

6:00 - 8:00 PM Family Dinner & a Movie/Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY 3/21

5:00 - 8:00 PM Emmaus Gathering/Fellowship Hall

WELCOME
to worship

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 15, 2015

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KNOW Christ. GROW to love Christ. GO to serve Christ.

Pastor Brian James

FIVE PCUMC PROMISES FOR 2015:
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Serve Christ more faithfully.
Practice *hospitality* more radically.
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THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

“Lord, grant that I might not so much seek to be loved as to love.”
St. Francis of Assisi

8:00 & 11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

PRELUDE Andante from Violin Sonata in Bb (Telemann)
R. Paul Urbanick, violin

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 107)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

PEOPLE: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands.

Leader: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

PEOPLE: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

Leader: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love and for his wonderful works. He satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

PEOPLE: Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the Lord!

OPENING HYMN** “O How I Love Jesus” #170

CHILDREN’S MOMENT (11 AM)

All children are invited to come up to the altar for a special message.
All children in grades K - 5th grade are invited to attend **Kids’ Worship** at the Port, following the Children’s Moment.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Numbers 21:4-9

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER
The Morning Prayer/Lord’s Prayer

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 3:14-21

ANTHEM “God So Loved the World” (J. Stainer)

SERIES: ALL ALONG THE WAY
MESSAGE “Look Up” Pastor Brian

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “Apostles’ Creed” #881

GLORIA PATRI #71

OFFERINGS TO GOD
Offertory Melodie (C. W. Gluck, arr. F. Kreisler)
Doxology “O Love, How Deep,” (verse 6) #267

CLOSING HYMN** “And Can It Be” #363

SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE** Gigue in F Major (G. F. Handel, arr. deSilva)

** Please stand if you are comfortably able.

9:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

OPENING PRAISE
“Your Love Never Fails”
“Your Love Is Amazing”

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 3:14-21

MESSAGE: “Look Up” Pastor Brian

OFFERING

MORNING PRAYER
“I Lift My Hands”

CLOSING PRAISE
“Overcomer”

SENDING FORTH

SERIES: ALL ALONG THE WAY
MESSAGE: “Look Up” **SCRIPTURE:** Numbers 21:4-9/John 3:14-21

I. The Reality of _____

II. The Power of _____

III. The Reality of _____

IV. "For God So _____"

Next Sunday: ALL ALONG THE WAY - “A Lesson In Gardening”

LENT TREE ELEMENTS AND MEANING



WEEK 4: CROWN OF THORNS

Roman soldiers placed a crown of thorns upon his head. In the Gospel According to Mark, it is written:

The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. And they began to call out to him, “Hail, king of the Jews!” Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. (Mark 15:16-20)

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Accessible Seating: The front pews in the sanctuary are available for worshipers with disabilities or those requiring such accommodation and their families.

Large Print/Audio: Large print hymnals and hearing enhancement devices are available from an usher.

Transportation to Sunday Service: Call the Church Office at 625-4356 (by noon on Friday) for information and reservations.

Nursery: A professionally staffed Nursery (with pagers) for newborns to 4-year-olds is open from 8AM-12:15PM in the children’s area.

The Sound of Joy Room for parents and young children is available, if needed, at the northeast corner of the sanctuary. Ask an usher for assistance.

Children’s Activity Bags are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

Bulletin: Request forms for submission are located in our office or on the church website under Archives: Forms. Requests are due 2 weeks in advance, and are subject to approval and space availability.

Our Sunshine Ministry visits those living in nursing homes, rehab or who are homebound. If you are aware of someone in need, please call the church office.



Prayer Chain: To add a name or receive the prayer chain emails, call the church office 625-4356, or use the prayer card in the pew.

Stephen Ministry: Are you going through a difficult time? We have free confidential care available. Contact Pastor Brian, 625-4356.

Membership: Classes are held the 2nd Thursday of each month from 6-8pm. Contact Pastor Earl Parker, at (352) 848-7865 for more information/registration.

Today’s 8am and 11am altar flowers are presented by Al and Maxine Tillman in memory of Henry Kaen. Special flowers are presented by Rosemarie Arnoldt in memory of Renée Arnoldt Olmstead.

Today’s 8:00 AM worship service, broadcast on WVIJ-FM (91.7), is sponsored by the Esther Circle.

Pray for Our Missionaries

Dominican Republic: Connie DiLeo, **Nepal:** Daniel Sweet
Palestine: Alex & Brenda Awad, **Zambia:** Delbert R. & Sandy R. Groves
At home: Neighbor to Neighbor Mission Project

We count people because people count!

Passionate Worship attendance 3/8/15: 459
8:00 AM: 105 9:30 AM: 52 11:00 AM: 274
Offsite Worship Attendance (3/1-3/7): 28
Salty Service Participants (3/1-3/7): 42
Intentional Discipling (3/1-3/7): 342
Hospital/Homebound Visits (3/1-3/7): 15

Extravagant Generosity - Week Ending 3/7/15:

Tithes/Offerings: CWM Recoveries: TOTALS:

Actual Weekly:	\$17,305	\$3,456	\$20,761
Budget Weekly:	\$11,379	\$4,226	\$15,605
Year-to-date Actual:	\$110,609	\$41,543	\$152,152
Year-to-date Budget:	\$102,411	\$38,034	\$140,445

For a full accounting of the church’s finances, contact Nancy Bosserdet, Financial Secretary.

“A person has made at least a start on discovering the meaning of human life when he plants shade trees under which he knows full well he will never sit.”
D. Elton Trueblood