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## GRACE AND PASTORAL PRACTICE - 1

It's an old and familiar story. A young pastor is called to a large established, maybe even famous, but declining Presbyterian Church. Before long, he encounters opposition, which grows into a movement to remove him. He survives, the church recovers from a church split and goes on to thrive. A few years later he shares the lessons he's learned.

I can relate to the story. The parallels with my own experience are not exact, but are similar enough to be instructive and yet different enough to be disturbing. I also encountered a declining church. I knew changes needed to be made if trends were to be reversed. Yet the manner of doing so worked out quite differently than it has in recent years in the PCA, particularly as it has among those who perceive themselves to be champions of grace.

### Change

A seasoned PCA pastor cautioned me, "Don't change anything for five years." Don't go in as the guy with all the answers. Don't project to others that you know it all. Every program and procedure in the church has a name on it. Every change has the potential to offend the author of that program. By and large, I followed that counsel, particularly with respect to the public face of the ministry. The Sunday services remained pretty much what they had been for decades. All changes were subtle, noticeable only to the alert. Programs were added (e.g. officers' training, inquirers' class), staff was added, renovations were hurried along (e.g. the nursery). However, the public ministry, Sunday School, Sunday morning worship and Sunday evening worship remained comfortably and reassuringly familiar. I am convinced that this minimized the opposition when it began to swell and ensured that the focus of debate was the Gospel itself, not the novelties brought in by the inexperienced young minister.

These new pastors quickly have altered the public face of their churches, introducing more casual styles of worship service to very formal, traditional Presbyterian churches

accustomed to robed choirs and pipe organs. The result has been ecclesiastical equivalent of Apple meets IBM. Their predecessors had sometimes planted their churches, or pastored them for decades, and built them into congregations of several thousand members at their peak. Each church had its own culture. Unwittingly, the new pastors drove bulldozers over those cultures, destroying what was sacred, familiar and comforting for many of its older members. One example has been dispensing with the clerical robe. It has been called a non-essential, which, of course, it is. However, identifying it as a non-essential is not the same as identifying it as unimportant. If it was customary, and, if it was meaningful to a significant number of people, it was not unimportant. Their strong reaction to the un-robing of the pastor proves the point. If it was really non-essential, then why not leave it alone?

Of course, changes were made in the name of outreach. The evangelistic *ends* typically are used to justify the liturgical *means*. Innovation is necessary, it has been argued, in order to reach people, especially young people. That the changes were deeply alienating to what one new pastor called "a small but vocal group of long-term (church) members" (read: older people) has not been allowed to alter the church's new direction. The group that separated in that case numbered over 400. They opposed, he says, "practically any and every change we initiated." Yet, the opposition met a determined change agent. "We had prayed and thought hard about what God wanted this church to be, and we were very determined to get there." "This is what we're going to do and this is why we're going to do it," the congregation was told. Apparently considerable changes were implemented immediately upon arrival. The changes were perceived as being so revolutionary that within three months a petition drive was organized to have the new pastor removed. Undoubtedly many in the minority were unreasonable, and some were cruel. Still, one wonders: could the concerns of the opposition not have been validated? Could their interests not have been accommodated? This is not the first time that the new has encountered the old in the PCA. There is a pattern. A ministry that has been fruitful but has plateaued calls a young minister whom they hope will inject energy and

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## GRACE AND PASTORAL LICENSE

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life into the church. He fails to understand the culture of the church. He imports a foreign, typically “hip & cool” culture which he is convinced is necessary if the church is to grow. In the process long-time members are pushed aside, their concerns invalidated, and they are warned of obstructing the gospel over selfish matters of personal taste. The hipsters win, the old folks head for the exits.

### Lessons

What these new pastors typically say they have learned is that they don’t need man’s approval because in Christ, they have God’s. They are free now from trying to please others, (which they see as a form of narcissistic bondage,) and can relax in their security in Christ. This is said to be an important application of the doctrine of justification. Jesus frees us, as one pastor puts it, from “our addiction to being liked,” from “the enslaving pressure of measuring up to others,” from the “narcissistic impulse to impress people, appease people, measure up for people, or prove myself to people.” The finished work of Christ and the finality of the verdict of justification become our “promised source of significance” and our “sense of worth and value.” They admit to “a fresh I-don’t-care-ness,” that he claims, “accompanies belief in the gospel.”

However, we might ask, does the gospel free us from the need to please others? There can be an idolatrous kind of man-pleasing which Jesus and the apostles denounce (e.g. Mt 6:1–18; Eph 6:5; Col 3:22) Yet there is also a proper kind of pleasing others which is called loving one’s neighbor, even loving one’s enemies. These new pastors endured difficult church splits. However, the lessons they learned seem *primarily to have been of psychological benefit to them*. Perhaps there are more important lessons that were missed. I’ve pastored a church that was painfully divided. Looking back I can now see that I should have shown more patience with those who resisted change. I should have

shown more respect for the opinions of others. I should have put more effort into understanding and respecting the culture of the church (every church, not just those in the third world, has a culture). I should have validated my detractors’ concerns, to *some* degree, in *some* measure, instead of merely denouncing them.

It’s clear enough that in one case the leadership of the church lost some perspective on the issues. The Presbytery eventually ruled that they had acted “impulsively and improperly” in banning six of the dissidents from the church’s property. Yes, the doctrine of justification frees me from the necessity of striving to win God’s favor through good works. Yes, it frees me from slavishly seeking man’s approval, since God’s approval is enough. However, it is an abuse of the doctrine to use it as an excuse to impose my opinions and preferences on others while ignoring theirs, all because “Jesus is everything.” The doctrine of *justification* is not a license for *self-justification*. Because Jesus is *everything*, we may not conclude that others are *nothing*. Because only God’s opinion counts doesn’t mean that I can ignore all other opinions about God’s opinion, and use the doctrine of justification to justify my doing so. It may be that we are misreading the situation. However, the casual discarding of 400 members as a “small group,” and in that case, along with eight of the church’s original elders does not suggest an overly sympathetic view of opposition voices.

Among the disturbing developments in the “grace only” movement is this appropriating of the doctrine of justification for sake of personal psychological well-being. It seems at times to have been hijacked to defend pastoral willfulness and closed-mindedness. Grace has become therapy for guilt-free ambition.

—Terry Johnson

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

## CATECHISM FINISHING STRONG!

Congratulations to *Christian Heritage* for reciting questions 1-38 of the Shorter Catechism. Congratulations to *Emily Shields* for reciting questions 51-100 of the *Children's Catechism*. We have 8 more weeks to go in our study of the *Children's Catechism* and *Shorter Catechism*. Please take a moment to thank Sue Hinely, Trisha Thomas, Caroline Boatright, Venessa Shields, Terry Johnson, and Jody Robinson for diligently teaching our children. Now would be a great time to finish this level of memorization. If you need any help, please do not hesitate to call.



## EGG HUNT

Be sure and be at Point Pleasant April 7, at 9:00 a.m. for our annual egg hunt and breakfast. For each child participating, we ask that you bring one dozen plastic filled eggs to church by Wednesday, April 4. Please bring family and friends but RSVP for each person that will be coming for breakfast. Come for the fun!

## FOR THE YOUTH

We will see you at Point Pleasant on Friday April 6, at 10:00 a.m. Be ready to hide the empty plastic eggs and dye a few dozen eggs or so! We will have pizza and coke before sending you off at 12:00. Thanks so much!

—Amy Martin

# DID YOU KNOW . . .



. . . that *Hunter Lanier* and his Eagles basketball team tied for First Place in the YMCA basketball program in Savannah? They made it into the Savannah Morning Newspaper!

# MUSIC MINISTRY

On March 25, our Youth Choir sang for the morning worship service at Golden Isles Presbyterian Church, where our former intern, Alex Brown, is the pastor. The choir sang the prelude, call to worship, and the collection anthem. We were treated to lunch with the church and enjoyed a very special time of fellowship with that congregation.

The choir trip was a great opportunity for our young people to work together, to worship together, and it was a privilege for us to serve as a choir in another church.

Many other interesting activities are going on in the church's music department. The **Chapel and Chime Choirs** will have the opportunity to attend Summer Waves Water Park on Saturday, May 19. More details will follow in the May Messenger. Parents will need to fill out a permission/insurance form which will be available in May. This is always a fun event for our children, but they must be regularly attending one of these choirs to participate.

The **Handbell Choir** is preparing music to be played for the Palm Sunday service on April 1.

The **Sanctuary Choir** is preparing anthems for Maundy Thursday and Easter. This choir will continue singing through June, taking the month of July off. If you are interested in singing with the choir, anytime is a good time to join us—Wednesday nights, 6:30-8:30. You are always welcome.

Please continue to support the music ministry of this church with your prayers.

In Christ's Service,  
Kathryn Van Eck

## CHAPEL CHOIR

The Chapel Choir will sing for the evening service on Sunday, April 1. Please meet in the balcony at 5:00 p.m. I will have your music there.

# FAMILY CORNER \_\_\_\_\_

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## PSALM OF THE MONTH

### PSALM 138

The first of 8 Davidic Psalms which conclude his contribution to the Psalter, nothing is known of the occasion of this Psalm. What we do know is "that prayer was answered in a way that gave David new vitality so that he wanted to sing the Lord's praise into the face of every so-called 'god'" (cf. v. 1-3).<sup>1</sup> The psalmist was quiet before his taunters in Psalm 137. "Here we see the excellence of a brave confession," says Spurgeon.

- 1 With all my heart my thanks I'll bring,  
Before the gods Thy praises sing;
- 2 I'll worship in Thy holy place  
And praise Thy name for truth and grace;  
  
For Thou above Thy name adored  
Has magnified Thy faithful word.
- 3 The day I called Thy help appeared;  
With inward strength my soul was cheered.
- 4 All kings of earth shall thanks accord  
When they have heard Thy words, O LORD;
- 5 Jehovah's ways they'll celebrate;  
The glory of the LORD is great.
- 6 Although Jehovah is most high,  
On lowly ones He bends His eye;  
But those that proud and haughty are  
He knoweth only from afar.
- 7 Through trouble though my pathway be,  
Thou wilt revive and comfort me.  
Thine outstretched hand Thou wilt oppose  
Against the wrath of all my foes.  
  
Thy hand, O LORD, shall set me free
- 8 And perfect what concerneth me;  
Thy mercy, LORD, forever stands;  
Leave not the work of Thine own hands.

TUNE: HURSLEY LM  
("Sun of My Soul")  
*Katholiches Gesangbuch,*  
Vienna, c. 1774

<sup>1</sup> Motyer, p. 578.

# APPRECIATION \_\_\_\_\_

I thank the Lord for His presence and His faithfulness daily in my life. He has especially blessed Bob and me with a loving and caring church like Independent Presbyterian Church! What an encouragement our church family has been over the years. We thank you all for your many expressions of love through your prayers, cards, phone calls, and meals while I went through radiation treatments and the weeks of healing. I often wonder what people do who do not know Jesus as Lord and do not have a church family!

We praise God for the leadership of our pastors who faithfully preach and teach the Word of God. Our congregation reflects this teaching in their lives as they serve and love one another.

God bless you all,  
Murle Breer  
(Psalm 75:1)



Dear Friends,

Thank you so very much for your payers, the exquisite dish-garden and your many beautiful cards and phone calls!

Love,  
Jerry Dillon

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## SIGNIFICANT SESSIONAL ACTIONS FOR APRIL \_\_\_\_\_

1. Approval was given to establish a Renovation Project Committee, consisting of the following church members and staff, to oversee renovation projects: David Gobel, Charlie Martin, Patrick McLean, Ron Barksdale, Ed Hale, Tricia Stacy, Laura Williams. Terry Johnson, Ron Parrish and Jeff Powell.
2. Approval was given to authorize the Renovation Project Committee to engage architects and engineers to develop a scope of work and budget for renovation projects. The committee will present the proposed plan to the Session for review and approval.
3. Approval was given to provide money from the Glasgow Memorial Fund to fund the dock at Point Pleasant.
4. Approval was given for Mrs. Barbara Barker to speak at the Women of the Church's September meeting.
5. A special acknowledgment was given to Art Broadwick for twenty (20) years of faithful service to the congregation of the Independent Presbyterian Church.
6. Approval was given for a transfer of letter from Sandhills Presbyterian Church, Southern Pines, NC, for Mr. and Mrs. John Watkins (Betsy).

# STUDENT MINISTRIES

## There's No Place Like Home...

This life can be tough. So tough that it is the closest a follower of Jesus will ever get to hell!

For a believer, the fact that our home is in Heaven with our Heavenly Father—NOT here (in a fallen world)—gives us the strength and perseverance to press on even in the most difficult circumstances life can throw at us.

In April 2003, climber Aron Ralston entered Utah's Bluejohn Canyon only to become trapped when an 800-pound (360-kilogram) boulder shifted, crushed his hand, and pinned him to the canyon wall. For six days, Ralston struggled to free himself while warding off dehydration and hypothermia.

Trapped and facing certain death, Ralston chose a final option that later made him an international sensation: Using a multitool, the climber amputated his right hand, then rappelled to freedom. He said,

"Overall, it was a hundred times worse than any pain I've felt before. It recalibrated what I'd understood pain to be. At the same time, it was also the most beautiful thing I've ever felt."<sup>1</sup>

'After the hell of being trapped for five and a half days it was ecstasy to be able to get free, **the idea of being liberated and of getting back to my family [drove him on].**'

'I was smiling when I realised I didn't have to cut through the bone and I could actually use the boulder and bend my arm enough to break the bones.

'I actually had a smile on my face as I put a tourniquet on my arm and stop the blood loss.

'An hour later I was free and I had my life again.'<sup>2</sup>

What gave this climber the courage to press on, to endure great pain and hardship? It was the thought of going home to the family he loved.

In John 13-14, the disciples received devastating news. One of their friends was a betrayer, Jesus was leaving them, and Peter was going to deny Jesus.

In response to all this, Jesus comforted His disciples with the fact that this world is not their home any more than it was His home. He was going to prepare a place for them in His (and their) Father's house.

The promise of Heaven would be the carrot that would drive them through the most desperate times this world would throw at them.

This life is hard, it's a fallen world, but for the believer in Jesus Christ, we always have hope that this life is NOT the end. There's more...much more!

We will soon dwell in eternally in the presence of our Heavenly Father where there will be no more tears, no pain, no death, and NO more SIN!

No matter what you are going through today, if you are trusting in Jesus' shed blood for your Salvation, BE ENCOURAGED! A day is coming when we will finally be Home...in the place we belong...in the presence of our loving Heavenly Father.

With such a hope, we can join with the great cloud of witnesses throughout the centuries that have endured all manner of difficulty and death, knowing the certainty of life eternal.

**"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also."**

(John 14:1-3)

To God be the Glory,  
Brad

<sup>1</sup> Michael Benoist, *National Geographic Adventure* August 30, 2004

<sup>2</sup> Quotes from: (<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1335626/A-film-you-d-cut-arm--climber-Aron-Ralston-reveals-seen-pictures-127-Hours-ordeal.html#ixzz1l60zywsq>.)

## CONNECT NEWSLETTER

The Winter/Spring Connect Newsletter has all the information you need to know about youth events from now until summer. If you don't have one, please let us know by calling 912.236.3346 so you can stay connected.

### Weekly Schedule:

**Sunday School:** 9:30 – 10:30 AM in the Whitaker Building

7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Whitaker Bldg.

Teacher: Terry Johnson

*Shorter Catechism*

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# — ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS —

## MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper will be observed during the Maundy Thursday Service of Lessons and Psalms on April 5, 7:00 p.m. Because of the exceptional blessing we have in this sacrament and the danger of eating and drinking unworthily, it is necessary that we come to it with knowledge, faith, repentance, love and with hungering and thirsting souls after Christ and His benefits. The congregation is encouraged to use all appointed means, public and private to come to the Lord's Table, depending upon God for the gracious preparation of the heart, according to His promise (Psalm 10:17). **There will be no Wednesday noon service or luncheon on April 4.**

## EASTER SUNDAY EVENING

Our Sunday evening service will be held at 5:30 p.m. We will not be providing a Sunday evening meal on Easter Sunday evening. Meals will resume on April 15. The Chime Choir, Youth Choir and Chapel choirs will not meet. Also, there Youth Small Groups will not meet.

## THE CHURCH BUDGET AND GIVING THROUGH MARCH

In order to inform the congregation of the financial status and needs of the church the following snapshot of our current financial condition is provided. To fund the 2012 church budget \$169,802.00 is needed per month. Thank you for your faithful support.

	Total received	Over/Short
January	\$137,508.00	-\$32,294.00
February	\$141,342.00	-\$28,460.00
March	\$125,840.00	-\$43,962.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$404,690.00</b>	<b>-104,716.00</b>

## IPC DAY CAMP EMPLOYMENT

This summer the day camp will offer employment opportunities for rising 8th graders through college age students. Rising 8th graders and ninth graders (must be IPC members) can volunteer (non-paid positions) to work as assistant group leaders for two weeks of camp. Students having completed the ninth grade and up can apply for paid positions as group leaders and program directors. Camp will be in session June 4 through August 3 (no camp June 18-22). Applications for paid positions will be available from the church office March 19. The deadline for applying is April 15. A meeting for parents of rising 8th and 9th graders will be held later in the spring.

## WOMEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Tuesday Morning Bible Study will meet Tuesdays, at 10:00 a.m. in the Whitaker Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl. The group will study the book of *1 Samuel—Looking at the Heart* by Ralph Davis. A nursery is provided in the Axson Bldg., 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl.

## ISLANDS CIRCLE

I hope you can join us for our next circle group on Friday, April 13, at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Fef Nolen, 102 Paxton (Isle of Hope). For information about this Bible study, please contact Carol Dusek at 598-4974.

## THURSDAY MORNING CIRCLE

The Thursday Morning Circle will meet on April 12, 2012, 10:30 a.m., at the home of Mrs. Peg Morris, 5 Cranes Nest Court (The Landings), 598-7882.

## WOMEN MENTORING WOMEN

Please join in the Women Mentoring Women Bible Study on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Whitaker Street Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor. A nursery is provided for those needing childcare. For information call Lauren Key, 247-5292.

## GARMER BIBLE STUDY

The Garmer Bible Study will meet on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Brown, Sr., 205 Wheeler Street (354-9215).

## \*\*DATE CHANGE\*\*

## TUESDAY MORNING CIRCLE

The Tuesday Morning Circle will meet on April 17 (**please note this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday**), at the home of Mrs. Jean Ennis, 11 Off Shore Rd, (897-7111).

## MEN'S READING CLUB

Our next Book Reading Meeting will be on Thursday, April 5. We will studying, *Loving God* by Chuck Colson. The books are available in the bookshop for \$10. All men of the church are invited to join us for this book study.



## WATSON ON FORGIVENESS

"If you break off your sins, God will become a friend to you; all that is in God shall be yours; His power shall be yours, to help you; His wisdom shall be yours, to counsel you; His Spirit shall be yours, to sanctify you; His promises shall be yours, to comfort you; His angels shall be yours, to guard you; His mercy shall be yours, to save you."

— Thomas Watson  
*The Ten Commandments*, p. 240

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Eugene Cashman
- 1 Bruce Baxley
- 1 Josh Boatright
- 1 Sarah Brown
- 2 Carol McClelland
- 2 Ian Helmly
- 3 Becky Cope
- 3 Scotty Brodmann
- 3 Bill Hansill
- 4 Kevin Heritage
- 4 Charles Moore
- 4 Meredith Brewer
- 5 Vernon Buchman
- 5 Mary Hazeltine
- 5 Terry Johnson
- 5 Richard Marting
- 6 Carla MacMillan
- 6 Susan Wright



- 6 Sylvia Wickwire
- 7 Christopher Hart
- 7 Allie Waller
- 8 Eric Robyn
- 8 Sarah Buck
- 8 Tim Scharold
- 8 Beverly Van Grouw
- 9 Patrick McLean
- 9 William Oliver, III
- 10 Sarah Dusek
- 11 Neal Cope
- 11 Christine Ellis
- 11 Emi Steward
- 11 John Wright
- 12 Charlie Martin
- 12 Morgan Thomas
- 13 Luke MacMillan



- 13 Richard Thomas
- 13 Will Monroe
- 14 Anna Mayo
- 15 Kelly Frick
- 15 Grace Jackson
- 15 William Van Puffelen
- 15 John Toler
- 15 John Gross
- 16 Garry McKee
- 17 Bill Maxey
- 18 Bill Buford
- 18 Frankie Daniell
- 18 Carl Biathrow
- 19 Sandra Ward
- 19 Chris Wade
- 20 Emily Hazeltine
- 20 Kate Jackson



- 21 Lillian Lindsay
- 21 Tim Ellis
- 22 Harrison Mathis
- 23 Ron Barksdale
- 24 Chris Gordon
- 24 Brett Hudson
- 25 Laura Brodmann
- 26 Fun Gobel
- 27 Christian Heritage
- 27 Jared Klajnbart
- 28 Stephanie Mathis
- 29 Della Roach
- 29 Emmy Ragen
- 29 Brian Williams
- 30 Mary Cope
- 30 Josh Lightle
- 30 Dennis Boatright



## STUDENT MINISTRY

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Senior High – 3<sup>rd</sup> Flood Student Bldg.  
 Teachers: Tim Barrett and Tim Foster  
*Westminster Confession*

**Sunday Night:**  
 Evening Worship – 5:30 – 6:40 PM  
 Dinner – 6:40 – 7:00  
 Small Groups : 7-8 pm

**Wednesday Night:**  
**The Gospel of John**  
 Youth Dinner – 6:30 PM – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Whitaker  
 Street Building  
 Youth Group – 7 – 8:30 PM – 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Floors,  
 Whitaker Street Building

## UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

- April 6** Hide Easter eggs at Point Pleasant (10a-12p)
- April 7** Egg Hunt and Breakfast (9-11a)
- April 28** Canoe Trip to Ebenezer Creek
- May 16** Senior Roast at Point Pleasant (6:30-8:30p)

**April 18 — NO Youth Group**

**Mission Trip: June 21-24, 2012**

**Whitewater Week: July 16-19, 2012**

## UPDATE ON THE FUTURE GENERATIONS CAMPAIGN

We are very pleased to report to the congregation that The Future Generations Capital Campaign (FGCC), begun in June 2009, has been a great success. The three-year giving period ends in June and we are well on our way to achieving the 4,000,000.00 goal that was set for the campaign. Thanks to the generous giving by members of the congregation and from a recent bequest from the estate of a deceased member, it is anticipated that when all the pledges come in we will meet our goal. This is all the more significant given the fact that this was accomplished during very difficult economic times.

The most significant item on the list to be accomplished with this campaign was the construction of the Whitaker Street Building. This building was completed in 2010, and the debt retired by campaign contributions in 2011. We move now to complete the other items set forth in the Campaign. These items include: renovation of the lane, renovation of the ladies' and men's restrooms in the Axson Building, reconditioning the pews and hardwood floors in the sanctuary and replacing the cushions. We look forward to completing this work in the coming year, though the lane may take a little longer.

The Building Committee has worked very hard on your behalf and we thank its Chairman, John South, for his outstanding leadership. The lion's share of our thanks goes to all who have contributed to this campaign so faithfully in both small and large amounts. If you are new to the congregation and would like to contribute to the campaign, your gift would be most welcomed. We praise the Lord for allowing us to accommodate the growth he has been pleased to give to continue to improve our facilities. To Him be the glory!

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## For Prayer & Participation April 2 - 7

- Tues, April 3 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Olmstead Hall  
9:00 a.m. Church Staff Meeting, Admin. Bldg., upstairs  
10:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study, Admin. Bldg., upstairs Whitaker Bldg., 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl.  
10:00 a.m. Women Mentoring Women, Admin. Bldg., upstairs Whitaker Bldg., 4<sup>th</sup> Fl.  
11:30 a.m. Pastoral Staff Meeting, Admin. Bldg.  
7:30 p.m. Military Bible Study, sponsored by Officers' Christian Fellowship (open to all), 742 Canyon Dr. Contact Jon Shine for more information (912-335-2489)  
7:30 p.m. Garmer Bible Study, at the home Mr. and Mrs. Alton Brown Sr., 205 Wheeler Street
- Wed, April 4 11:00 a.m. No Women's Intercessor Group, Axson Room  
12:00 p.m. No Wednesday Noon Service and Luncheon  
5:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m. Sanctuary Rehearsal, Choir Room  
6:30 p.m. Youth Dinner, Whitaker Street Bldg., 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl.  
7:00 p.m. Youth Group, Whitaker Street Bldg., 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl.  
9:00 p.m. RUF, Admin. Bldg., 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl
- Thurs, April 5 12:00 p.m. Men's Reading Club, Admin. Bldg., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service of Lessons and Psalms  
7:00 p.m. No IPC Twenties, Whitaker Street Bldg., 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl
- Fri, April 6 10:00 a.m. Youth hide eggs at Point Pleasant
- Sat, April 7 9:00 a.m. Breakfast & Egg Hunt at Point Pleasant

## Assisting Us in Worship • April 1

**GREETERS**  
VISITOR TABLER. B. Austin  
FRONT DOOR ..... Elder & Mrs. W. Brodmann  
NORTH SIDE ..... J. Garnett  
CENTER AISLE .... C. Martin  
SOUTH SIDE ..... E. Robyn  
WOC Greeter ..... L. DePue

**SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER**  
ELDER ..... D. McLaurin

**USHERS**  
CHAIRMAN ..... C. Nolen  
FRONT DOOR ..... T. Barrett  
INNER DOOR ..... G. McKee  
CENTER AISLE .... D. Wade & A. Gibson  
LEFT AISLE ..... J. Shine  
RIGHT AISLE ..... R. Steward  
BALCONY1 ..... J. Rigby  
SECURITY/BAL2 .. A. Brown & S. Jackson  
AM AUDIO ..... R. Hinely  
PM AUDIO ..... P. McLean  
EVENINGS ..... R. Barksdale & J. Sutton

### SUNDAY SUPPER SET-UP & CLEAN-UP

C. Martin's Care Group #7

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

WORKER: ..... M. Knoche

### NURSERY

Coordinator: E. Moody

10:40 a.m. I/C: L. Rambo  
G. Eaves  
P. Moore  
P: K. Lanier  
A. Lanier  
T: P. Wiggins  
S. Wiggins  
T: B. Bauer  
N. Bauer

### SUNDAY READ-A-LOUD:

7:00 p.m. Youth Group

## MEAL MENU

Sunday, April 1, 2012

Chicken Fajitas  
Guacamole  
Salsa Verde Salad  
Nacho Cheese  
Texas Sheet Cake

Wednesday, April 5, 2012

No Noon Service  
or Lunch

\*\*Menu subject to change\*\*