

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2014

DEACONS: Elaine Ervin & Michael Smith
BUS DRIVER: Ben Rinehart, Jr. (482-2959)
BUS RIDER: Mac Privott
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Mary Daniels
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Wanda Perry
AUDIO OPERATOR: Maurice Bunch
VIDEO OPERATOR: Paul Stallings
YOUTH SUPPER: Paul & Robin Stallings



Requests for March:

Food Pantry
 pork-n-beans
Operation Christmas Child
 toothbrush & toothpaste

Expression of Thanks

The following wish to express their sincere appreciation for the man acts of kindness and prayers rendered in their behalf:
 -Doris Hughes
 -Chris Elliott

Ladies, Save the Date!

CHOWAN COUNTY WMU
Missions Emphasis
 April 15 at 7:00pm
 Center Hill Baptist Community Center

Wanted: Cubbie Buddies

Volunteers are needed at White Oak School (K-2nd grade). "Cubbie Buddies" (named after the school's mascot) would spend 30 minutes per week with a child who needs quality time with an adult just to talk or read together. Kelly is willing to take a bus from church once per week if we have folks who would like to volunteer. If interested, call the church office or Kelly.

WEEKLY REPORT (3/16)

Offering

Budget Needed	10,048.54
Amt. Received	10,192.00
Over Budget	143.46

Other Monies Received

Supper (3/12)	334.00
Memorial Fund	35.00
Initial Offering	2.00
Baptist Men	20.00
CWJC	165.00
WMU-NC	20.14
Reimbursements	150.00
TOTAL	726.14

Attendance

Sunday School	126
Chowan River Nursing	35
SS TOTAL	160
Worship TOTAL	225

YTD Offerings (11 weeks)

Amt. Required	110,533.94
Amt. Received	108,183.50
Under Budget	(2,350.44)

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Youth News

Youth will be on regular schedule this week with supper at 5:30pm in the main fellowship hall and HOLLA from 6:00pm until 7:00pm. Be here and bring a friend!

Each Wednesday night during Lent, Kelly will lead a Bible study for any youth who are able to attend in the parlor (across from the church office). We will be using studies from a curriculum called *Way to Live* and this time of group study would be a great Lenten discipline. Join us from 6:30pm until 7:30pm on March 12, 19, and 26 and April 2, 9, and 16.

Don't forget to sign up for these Spring and Summer trips!

- **Spring Break Overnight Retreat to the OBX**, April 21-22 (Monday afternoon - Tuesday afternoon) - Cost: \$85 (all-inclusive), Deposit: \$35, Deadline: Friday, April 11
- **Passport Camp**, June 22-27, Queens University in Charlotte - Cost: \$275 (all inclusive), Deposit: \$75, Deadline: Tuesday, April 15
- **Mission Trip to Savannah, GA**, July 11-18 (Construction and Community Missions) - Cost: \$185 (all inclusive), Deposit: \$75, Deadline: Tuesday, April 15

TRIP PLANNED

The Joy Club will travel to Kinston on April 19 to see *The Victor*, at Tanglewood Church. Tickets are \$3.00 per person for this highly acclaimed Easter drama. The bus will leave our parking lot at 11:15am, and we will enjoy lunch in Kinston before the 3:00pm performance. All church members and friends are invited. Contact Bessie Perry to sign up!

THE INFORMER

Edenton Baptist Church
 Edenton, North Carolina 27932

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

David B. Brooks
 Pastor

Kelly E. Rhodes
 Associate Pastor

David N. Shaw
 Director of Music

Jackie P. Copeland

Organist/Assistant Music Director

Christopher A. Bunch
 Pianist

Janet C. Skinner
 Church Administrator

Sue C. Dawley

Financial Secretary

Sherry S. Dowd

Preschool Coordinator

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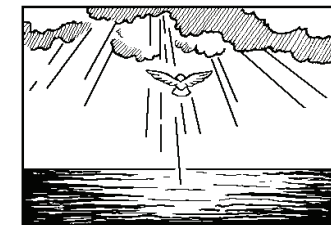
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The Third Sunday in Lent

"Giving Up Our Superiority"

3rd in the Series: *"I Give Up!"*

John 4:1-26



Those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty.

- John 4:14

For Our Young Adults

A new Sunday morning fellowship opportunity is being provided for our college students and recent graduates. Each Sunday at 10:00am we will meet in the Fellowship Hall, and breakfast is provided. Sonya Rinehart and Travis Ellis are facilitating. Come join us!

Easter Eggs Needed

We need your pre-stuffed Easter eggs for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19. A box will be in the back hallway for collection. Eggs can be stuffed with candy or "prizes." Thank you for your contribution to this fun event each year!



Memorial Gifts given for....

Mrs. Gladys Stallings

by: E. J. & Marsha Sherry
Kenny & Betsy Beach
Clifford & Rebecca Perry
R. S. & Jeanette Chappell
Barbara Elbualy
M/M Alton Elmore
M/M Hartley Schearer, Jr.
Mary Bethany SS Class
William B. White
M/M Bill Townson
Mary Grey Leary
M/M J. M. Parrish
Paul & Nellie Gregory
M/M Glenn Perry
M/M David Morris
The Friday Institute Staff
Elsie Gregory
Dr/M Jesse Croom
M/M Mike Oliver
American Legion Aux. #40
M/M Joe Ferguson
M/M Dennis Rash
Janet Skinner

Mrs. Joyce Harrell

by: M/M Cam Byrum
M/M Alton Elmore
M/M Tom Ward
M/M Glenn Perry

Mrs. Joann Pittman

by: M/M Mike Partin
M/M Leonard Small, Jr.

Mr. Samuel Warren

by: M/M Mike Partin

Mr. Pat Flanagan

by: Richard Elliott

Mr. Tom Davis

by: Laura Harrell SS Class

Marjorie Privott

by: M/M Wallace Evans
M/M Alton Elmore

Mrs. Shirley Ferguson

by: M/M Cam Byrum
M/M Glenn Perry

Mrs. Betty Forehand

(daughter of Mae Corprew,
sister of Mac Privott)

by: Mary Barrow

M/M Wallace Evans
M/M Tim Phelps
Lucy Bunch
M/M Gene Nixon
Pansy Elliott
M/M Alton Elmore
M/M J. P. Timberlake
Mary Bethany SS Class
M/M Leo Lavoie

Mrs. Sylvia Baisey

(grandmother of Sheryl Alligood)
by: M/M Tom Ward

Mrs. Jane Clifton

by: M/M Tim Phelps

Mr. Robert Taylor

by: M/M Wallace Evans
M/M Jack Hardison
Doris Hughes
Barbara Elbualy
M/M Leonard Small, Jr.
M/M Gene Nixon
Janet Skinner
M/M Tim Phelps
M/M J. P. Timberlake
Jack Parker
M/M Sam Moore
M/M Danny Lewis
M/M Earl White
Donna Kenlon
M/M Bert Marovich
M/M Jim Kalbach



Not long after they were married, John Ortberg and his wife, Nancy, traveled to Ireland. While his wife visited with some relatives, John met a man named Father Ryan—a Catholic priest in the town of Kilrush.

"So you're a Baptist, are you?" Father Ryan asked John. John, a pastor, replied that he was, and the two men swapped stories from their callings. When John asked Father Ryan to describe his work, the priest replied, "We christen them when they're born. We marry them when they get wed. We hear confession and pronounce forgiveness over their souls. We preach over them when they die. We do it all. We hatch 'em, match 'em, patch 'em and dispatch 'em!"

When John's wife came into the room, John introduced her to Father Ryan. "Ah," said Father Ryan, "your calling comes with benefits."

John appreciated Father Ryan's sense of humor as well as the priest's enthusiasm about the work to which God had called him. "A priest," Ortberg writes, "is sometimes described as one who represents God to the earth and the earth to God."¹ Actually, that describes the calling that all of us have. We have all been created in the image of God, and whether we are a priest or a plumber, a missionary or a manager, we all have been called by God to reflect God to the world and to return our praise and gratitude to God through our work.

How do you view your work? As a job, a career, or a calling? We work at a job for the sole purpose of making money. We commit ourselves to a career with the goal of gaining success and prestige. But if we are willing to interpret our work, no matter what it is, as a calling from God, then we are more likely to see God *at* work and sense God at work *in* our work.

Grace and peace,

David

¹John Ortberg, *The Me I Want to Be*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2010, 227.

LECTIONARY READINGS

MARCH 23, 2014

3rd Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17: 1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

MARCH 30, 2014

4th Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalms 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

Shut-In of the Week

Mrs. Evelyn Swanner
Edenton Primetime
PO Box 987
Edenton, NC 27932

Student of the Week

Miss Mary Scott Bunch
3167 Cypress View Drive
Greenville, NC 27858

HOSPITAL REPORT (3/19)

Vidant Medical Center

Fred Bunch
DuPaul Hospital
Valerie Spivey

Birthdays

Sunday, March 23

Patricia A. Hart
Hunter LaFon
Alex Perry

Candice Thompson

Monday, March 24

Melvin Davis

Tuesday, March 25

Carl Sternecker

Wednesday, March 26

Julianna Bassett

Sue Bunch

Charles Maus

Wes Privott

Thursday, March 27

Estelle Kessler

Landis Voigt

Friday, March 28

Bill Chesson

Jonathan McClure

Deana Morgan

Johnny Owens, Jr.

Anniversaries

Monday, March 24

M/M Cam Byrum

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, March 23

9:45-Sunday School
10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer
11:00-Morning Worship
5:30-Youth Supper
6:00-Youth HOLLA

Monday, March 24

2:00-Helen Hughes Group,
Betty Batemen

Tuesday, March 25

5:00-TOPS, Room 117

Wednesday, March 26

5:30-Supper
6:00-Children's Choirs
6:30-Adult Book Study
6:45-Children's Missions
7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, March 27

10:50-Book Bag Buddies
5:30-Handbells, Room 200