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SESSION MEETINGS
The Crestview Session will meet on Monday, March 9, in the choir room at 6:30 p.m.



MEN’S FELLOWSHIP DINNER
This will be held on Tuesday, March 10. at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Men, see Louis Becker to sign up. Steak, baked potato, salad and dessert all for only \$12!



CHOIR PRACTICE
Choir practice is on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30. We have begun preparations for Maundy Thursday. Why not come join us!



We will begin the Lenten Season with different churches hosting, beginning in March. Below is a schedule of dates. There will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex each week. Lunches start at 11:30 a.m.

March 5 New Bethel UM Church
March 12 Mt. Zion AME Church
March 19 FPC will host at New Bethel UMC
March 26 First United Methodist Church

SPECIAL DATES			
• First Sunday in Lent	March 1, 2020	• First day of spring	March 19, 2020
• World Day of Prayer	March 6, 2020	• Fourth Sunday in Lent	March 22, 2020
• Second Sunday in Lent	March 8, 2020	• Disciplefest	March 28, 2020
• Daylight-Saving Time	March 8, 2020	• Fifth Sunday in Lent	March 29, 2020
• Third Sunday in Lent	March 15, 2020		



JUBILEE CIRCLE
We will meet on Tuesday, March 17 from 12-00 pm—2:00 pm. Ladies come out and join us. Please bring a sack lunch.



Don’t forget on March 8, we spring forward

THE MINISTER’S MUSINGS...

Dear Friends,

We have now entered the season of Lent. This is the 40 days (excluding Sundays) that lead up to the celebration of Easter. (See the Lenten History Lesson)

On Ash Wednesday, we enjoyed our Annual Pancake Supper (with great thanks to Celia Broadhead!) Typically pancakes are eaten the day before on Shrove Tuesday. That is the day of the ancient tradition of ridding homes of all fats and meats until Easter. And what better way that to enjoy pancakes, sausage and bacon! Large festivals used to be held which included pancake races, determining who could eat the most pancakes, and the like.

At the Crestview church we do both the pancake supper and Ash Wednesday service on Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday is the day that officially begins the Lenten season. This season is a season of reflection and repentance. We are called upon to reflect upon our mistakes, shortcomings, and sins, and the role we have played that necessitated the crucifixion of Jesus.

During this season we the tone of the worship changes a bit. Following tradition, music is a bit more somber. The scriptures point toward the journey Jesus made to Jerusalem and the waiting arms of the cross.

You will also notice the order of worship has changed a bit. A couple items have been added, a couple have been taken out, and a couple moved around. (Yes, change. Aarrgghh!)

The intention behind this is to help call attention to the fact that this season is different. It calls for us to pay closer attention to our lives. By changing the order of worship leading up to Easter Sunday, it is hoped we will all pay a little closer attention to our worship together and the message God is conveying to us.

Don’t worry. The familiar will return in the near future, but hopefully with a bit more meaning because of the focus of Lent.

One last thing... Some people talk about giving up something for Lent as a way of making a personal sacrifice. Here is a suggestion. Instead of giving up something, add something... like praying for an enemy, helping someone in need, serving at the soup kitchen, calling those who would love to hear from you.

Sursum Corda,
Mark



PUZZLE

POWER OF PRAYER

When life gets crazy, worry creeps in. But God tells us exactly what to do — any time and anywhere.

Directions: Circle the word in each group that doesn’t belong. Then write those words on the numbered lines below.

1 apple anxious artichoke	2 every eagle emu	3 purple pink prayer	4 Paul petition Peter	5 taste touch thanksgiving
6 rest requests relax	7 God George Greg	8 puddle peace pond	9 transcends train truck	10 unusual unique understanding
11 guard giraffe gorilla	12 hearts hold held	13 many minds more	14 Philadelphia Pennsylvania Philippians	

“Do not be _____ about anything, but in _____ situation, by _____ and _____, with _____, present your _____ to _____. And the _____ of God, which _____ all _____, will _____ your _____ and your _____ in Christ Jesus.” _____ 4:6-7, NIV

Answers: 1. anxious, 2. every, 3. prayer, 4. petition, 5. thanksgiving, 6. requests, 7. God, 8. peace, 9. transcends, 10. understanding, 11. guard, 12. hearts, 13. minds, 14. Philippians



6	Jaxson Ward Tarpley	8	Dan and Clarissa Hufer
8	Steve Perkins	18	Robert and Melca Kozlowski
10	Henry Givens	29	Hugh and May Allan
12	Ray Spears		
13	Ryan Mabry		
19	Carolyn (Broadhead) Tarpley		
19	Laura Broadhead		
21	Cathi Suggs		
24	Darla Perkins		
26	Bryan Graham		
28	Pastor Mark Broadhead		
31	Mildred Campbell		



Saturday, March 28, 2020
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CDT

Dogwood Acres Summer Camp
and Retreat Center

Disciplefest is the congregations of the Presbytery of Florida coming together for worship, fellowship, and workshops as we celebrate our oneness in Christ.

This year's offerings are 10.

- Prayer and Spirituality – Rev. Mark Broadhead
- Clerks of Session: Basic Roles and Responsibilities – Jeannie Dixon
- Cows, Cats, and Congregational Revitalization – Rev. Lisa Martin
- Passing on the Faith – Christy Williams
- Becoming the Gospel – Rev. Ray Jones
- Healthy Pastors, Healthy Congregations – Mr. Clark Simmons (Board of Pensions)
- Grace and Law in the Reformed Tradition – Rev. Joan Wooten
- Understanding Scripture – Rev. Roy Martin
- What do we mean by “Politics”? – Rev. Joan Wooten
- Conflict Mediation – Rev. Lisa Martin

You may attend as many as three workshops during the course of the event, depending on your choices. Fliers and registration forms may be found at the back on the sanctuary. March 13. Cost: \$15 which includes lunch.

The Keynote speaker is Rev. Ray Jones, who is the Director of Theology, Formation and Evangelism for the Presbyterian Mission Agency of the General Assembly. He has done great things for our denomination and in ministry for Jesus Christ.

Worship Leaders for March

Laurel Hill

- 1 Brian Hughes
- 8 Henry Givens
- 15 Celia Broadhead
- 22 Brian Hughes
- 29 Henry Givens

Crestview

- Celia Broadhead
- Jo-An Williams
- Tim Crawford
- Jo Kublik
- Jim Gaylord

Head Usher: Charles Gage

A Lenten History Lesson

Though the date of Easter varies, the majority of the Lenten season occurs during March. In fact, the word *Lent* comes from the Anglo-Saxon words *lenctentid* (meaning “March”) and *lencten* (meaning “spring”).

The first reference to Lent dates back to 325 AD, in one of the 20 canons decreed at the council of Nicaea. By the eighth century, Christians started observing Lent, and a 10th-century monk named Aelfric connected the use of ashes and “the Lenten fast” to the pre-Easter period.

Lent lasts 40 days to represent Jesus’ time in the wilderness, when he was tempted by the devil. The six Sundays that occur between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday aren’t counted as part of Lent; instead, as the traditional day of worship, they’re considered “mini-Easters.”



March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2	3	4 Choir Practice 7:00 pm	5Lenten Lunch (New Bethel UMC)11:30am Bible Study 6:30 pm (FH)	6 Soup Kitchen (FH) 11:00 am	7
8 Spring Forward  Congregational Life 12:00pm	9 Session 6:30 pm (Choir Room)	10 Men's Dinner 6:30 pm (FH)	11Choir Practice 7:00 pm	12 Lenten Lunch (Mt. Zion AME) 11:30 am Bible Study 6:30 pm (FH)	13 Soup Kitchen (FH) 11:00 am	14
15	16	17 Jubilee Circle (FH) 	18Choir Practice 7:00 pm	19 Lenten Lunch (FPC will host at New Bethel UMC) 11:30am Bible Study 6:30 pm (FH) 	20 Soup Kitchen (FH) 11:00 am	21
22	23	24	25Choir Practice 7:00 pm	26 Lenten Lunch (First UMC) 11:30 am Bible Study 6:30 pm (FH)	27 Soup Kitchen (FH) 11:00 am	28 Presbytery of Florida DISCIPLEFEST at Dogwood Acres
29 Finance Ministry Meeting	30	31 				