



# *The Church Mouse*

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MARCH 10, 2019 – VOLUME 2

Worship Opportunity for this  
week! First Sunday in Lent  
March 10<sup>th</sup>

**Sermon title: PICTURE JESUS: The Bread of Life**

*Psalm 25:1-10, 1 Peter 3:18-22, and John 6:25-40*

Jesus is dealing here with two very deep hungers in our lives, hungers far more important than physical hunger. First, we all have the hunger for acceptance. In that culture the offer of bread was an expression of acceptance, hospitality, and friendship. Second, we all have the hunger for eternal life, for knowing that after this life there is another glorious life that will go on forever. Jesus alone can provide an answer to that hunger.

We look forward to sharing with you  
in Worship!!

## Church Events

- Mar 12<sup>th</sup> – Mary Circle at 11 AM, Handbell Choir 4:30 PM
- Mar 13<sup>th</sup> -- Men's Prayer Breakfast is at 7 AM -Taking Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 9 AM,
- Mar 14<sup>th</sup> - Session meets at 7 PM, Women's Small Group Bible Study at Cyndy Moore's house (see note in newsletter)
- Mar 16<sup>th</sup> – Rise Against Hunger in Fellowship Hall at 9:30AM

# Sunday Servants

<i>1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY</i>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY</i>	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY</i>	<i>4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY</i>	<i>5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY</i>
<i>Dick Foard Mike Fuller Kitty Davis Chris Doyel William Crockett</i>	<i>Patricia Cowan Louise Theberge John Kupiec Billy Healy</i>	<i>Jim Wesson John Ogburn Todd Coons John O'Briant Lewis Horsley</i>	<i>Doug Price Jane Price Bob McCreary Carter Richardson</i>	<i>Usher Captains</i>
<b>LITURGISTS:</b>				
<i>Sandy Pait</i>	<i>Roberta Wiatt</i>	<i>Wynne Beale</i>	<i>Louise Theberge</i>	<i>Godwin Jones</i>
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>				
<i>Nikko Meideros</i>	<i>Antonio Meideros</i>	<i>Jack Gibson</i>	<i>Bradyn Barr</i>	<i>Mac McDonald</i>

## PSALM 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing. Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

## Rise Against Hunger

Come join the fun as we package over 10,000 meals in less than two hours on **Saturday, March 16 at 9:30AM**. Enjoy working side-by-side with your fellow church members and get to know them better – you may even meet someone new. Please register online by clicking on this link -

<http://events.stophungernow.org/GCP19> .

Also please agree to the waiver to save us paperwork time on Saturday.

You may also register by calling the church office (804-693-2071) or seeing Godwin Jones in the narthex after the service on Sunday.

If you have any questions, please call **Godwin Jones** at 804-815-2165.

## Note:

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers, cards, thoughts, and well wishes before and after my recent surgery. They were much appreciated and comforting.

When we moved here from Florida 8 years ago, I thought we had found the right church, and now I know for sure that we did. **Phyllis Paradies**





***Will you remember???***  
***Time changes this***  
***Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>***  
***Spring forward***  
***We want to see you***  
***On time on***  
***Sunday morning!***



# Celebrate!

## Birthdays

Scott Finney	03/02
Phyllis Paradies	03/02
Logan Blazvick	03/07
Ken Gibson	03/07
Eva Mullins	03/09
Scotty Siesto	03/10
Robert Crockett	03/10
Peter DeMet	03/11
Carson Crowder	03/13
LuAnn Nagel	03/16
Jon Sawyer	03/16
Mickey Healy Jr.	03/17
Ginger Rowe	03/17
Ken Borkey	03/20
Sam Lanning	03/23
Daniel Lutz	03/23
Claire Taylor	03/25
Caroline Peabody	03/26
Ray Taylor	03/28
Jane Farner	03/28
Bill Lawrence	03/29
Harry Doyle	03/31
Wayne Oliver	03/31

## Anniversaries

John & Charlotte Martin	03/18
Dennis & Jane Koziol	03/24



**Thanks** to all who joined **Janet Carter** for the iGeneration Seminar on Friday evening! I've heard some great feedback from folks of all ages who attended that night. A special thanks to **Skip Driggs, Doug Nagel, and Virginia Golden** for adding more food for thought that evening!

The Adult Sunday school open house was well attended. We had a fun time of fellowship and exploration! We saw many new faces, and we hope that we will see you all again on March 10th at 9:15. In case you were not able to attend, we have included information about each class below. Please contact [Cindy.dce@gracecovenant.us](mailto:Cindy.dce@gracecovenant.us) if you have any questions.

## **Bible 101**

Examines the Bible verse by verse.

Goal: Provide an understanding of the basic meaning of bible verses.

This group is currently studying the book of Isaiah. Spring 2019 study is on the book of Mark.

Facilitator: LuAnn Nagel

Location: Adult Sunday School Hall, coming from the sanctuary steps second room on right.

## **Contemporary Discussions**

Examines topical studies in a discussion type class.

Goal: Use scripture and relevant commentary to understand how God wants us to respond to the ever-changing issues we face in today's world.

This group is currently studying Angels. Spring 2019 study is God in Space.

Facilitator: Warren Deal

Location: Adult Sunday School Hall, coming from the sanctuary steps first room on right.

## **Growing with Grace**

Examines various books of the Bible in quarterly studies.

Goal: Read and study the scriptural text in order to learn biblical principles and apply them to our Christian walk while focusing on Jesus as the anchor and foundation of our lives and developing a deeper understanding of God's gift of grace.

Members are encouraged to read and pray throughout the week in preparation for the next Sunday's meeting.

Spring 2019 study is the book of Colossians with Louie Giglio.

Facilitator: Weekly Rotation

Location: Adult Sunday School Hall, coming from sanctuary steps last room on left.

## **Mixed Fruits of the Spirits**

Examines topical studies using a multi-denominational series titled "The Present Word," supplemented by commentary from respected theologians.

Goal: Learn about God and His love; humankind's relationship with Him; what God's word has to say to us today; and how God wants us to respond to His Word.

Members are encouraged to read and pray throughout the week in preparation for the next Sunday's meeting.

Recently studied "Our Love of God." Spring 2019 study is titled "Discipleship and Mission."

Facilitator: Dick Beale

Location: Adult Sunday School Hall, coming from sanctuary steps third room on left.

## **POPES (Parents Of Preschool and Elementary-age Students)**

Examines Bible passages and related commentary using the Lifeway Bible Studies for Life resources in quarterly studies.

This group's study correlates with the children's and youth quarterly studies.

Goal: Provide a welcoming environment to study God's word and apply its principles to relationships with others, while promoting further application and dialogue about common areas of study within the family/caregiver setting throughout the week.

Spring 2019 study focuses on the Wisdom from Ecclesiastes and Hard Sayings of Jesus.

Facilitator: Weekly Rotation

Location: Adult Sunday School Hall, coming from sanctuary steps second room on left.



# Daily Lectionary:

## Thursday, March 7

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102  
Deut. 7:6–11  
Titus 1:1–16, John 1:29–34

## Friday, March 8

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130  
Deut. 7:12–16, Titus 2:1–15  
John 1:35–42

## Saturday, March 9

Morning: Pss. 43; 149  
Evening: Pss. 31; 143  
Deut. 7:17–26  
Titus 3:1–15  
John 1:43–51

## Sunday, March 10

Morning: Pss. 84; 150  
Evening: Pss. 42; 32  
Jer. 9:23–24  
1 Cor. 1:18–31  
Mark 2:18–22

## Monday, March 11

Morning: Pss. 119:73–80;  
145  
Evening: Pss. 121; 6  
Deut. 8:1–20  
Heb. 2:11–18  
John 2:1–12

## Tuesday, March 12

Morning: Pss. 34; 146  
Evening: Pss. 25; 91  
Deut. 9:(1–3) 4–12  
Heb. 3:1–11  
John 2:13–22

## Wednesday, March 13

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 27; 51  
Deut. 9:13–21  
Heb. 3:12–19  
John 2:23–3:15

## Thursday, March 14

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102  
Deut. 9:23–10:5  
Heb. 4:1–10  
John 3:16–21

## Friday, March 15

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130  
Deut. 10:12–22  
Heb. 4:11–16  
John 3:22–36

## MISSION TRIP:

**Where:** Pollocksville, North Carolina

**When:** Sunday March 24 through Friday  
March 29

**What will I be doing?** whatever you can,  
stocking shelves, painting, hanging drywall,  
working in a feed kitchen.

**What Do I need?** Some paper work filled out,  
simple tools, a sleeping bag, warm work  
clothes.

This is a joint project of our church, Apostles  
Lutheran, and Newington Baptist.

***Please let the church office (693-2071)  
know if you are willing and able  
participate!***

## Prayer Concerns:

Pray for Cary Franklin, Wesley and Betty  
Wilson, Dana Gilmour, Harriett George, Tess  
and Kim Robins, Charlotte Martin, David  
Guthrie, E J Rowe, Virginia Wilkinson, David Lipps,  
Pat & Bert Perkins, and Bob McCreary.

If you have a prayer  
request, even if it is unspoken, you may call  
the church office and your prayer request  
will be placed here.

Gloucester House: Wayne Gates  
Brookdale, Williamsburg:  
Virginia Powers, & Barbara Tremblay  
York Convalescent & Rehab: Virginia Wilkinson



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