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EASTER SUNDAY IS MARCH 23RD!

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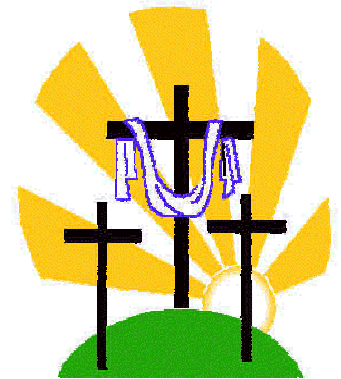
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We hope you will join us for this wonderful day!

- **7:00 am** We will begin the day with a Sunrise Service at 7:00.
- **9:30 am** The children will deliver gifts to Sunplex.
- **10:00 am** We will begin singing in the Sanctuary.
- **10:30 am** Our Traditional Worship Service will begin.



PRACTICING SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES THROUGH LENT

WHAT ARE SOME SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES?

- **Repentance**
- **Fasting**
- **Silence**
- **Charity**
- **Works of Love**

During Lent this year, you will have an opportunity to practice spiritual disciplines to deepen your walk with Christ.

Disciplines help us intentionally seek to grow in faith, by focusing our intention upon God and not on our flesh. I hope you will take advantage of this opportunity.

Each Sunday, our worship will focus on one of the Spiritual Disciplines noted on the left hand column.

We will also be offering everyone a worksheet to help develop a plan for spiritual disciplines over the next 6 weeks.

The Lord's blessing upon you this Lenten Season.

Rev. Chris Bullock



MUSIC IN WORSHIP

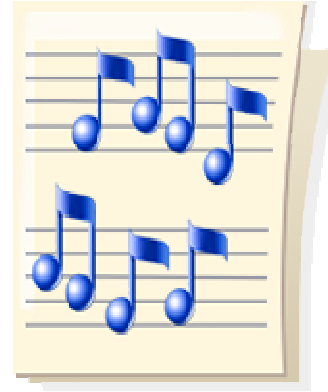
We have been blessed by Robin Larsen and her willingness to lead music in Worship.

During Lent, we have decided to continue opening worship with music. We begin at 10:25.

If you arrive after the music begins, please don't worry. Just go ahead and be seated. This is just a time of preparing ourselves to worship God

through music.

If you have requests, please communicate them to Robin or Martha.



MID WEEK LENTEN STUDY

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 6th, Pastor Chris has begun a 6 week study during Lent about how to reach out to people in our community in our changing world.

This study will examine and discuss the emerging culture of the church and will utilize Power Points, short

movie clips, and Bible Study.

We will take turns bringing a Soup to share with others after the study.

Time: 5:00

Place: Sanctuary

Date: Wednesdays

- 1. Overview: From Modern to Emerging Culture
- 2. Leadership: From Individual to Community
- 3. Witness: Belonging Before Believing
- 4. Communication: Word and Image
- 5. Context: From Tribalism to God's Kingdom Story

OPPORTUNITIES AND EVENTS

- **Alcoholics Anonymous** meets on Monday evenings at 8:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

- **The Bridge Group** meets on Wednesday morning at 10am & Thursday evening at 6 pm



- **Weight Watchers** is now holding its meetings in our Fellowship Hall Tuesday's at 12 noon. For more info call Shannon van Duijvendijk, Weight Watchers Leader, at (228) 218-5924.

The Sunday School Children are making Easter Gifts to deliver to Nursing Homes in our community.



Presbyterian Friends - Plans are in the works for a gathering on April 4th at the Torgersons (everyone is invited!)

STUDY AND SERVE

- The Woodwards Tuesday Evening Bible Study, meets twice a month in the home of Gerry Anne and Dan Woodward at 6:30 pm. 875-7844.
- Highway Clean up. Would your Bible Study or group be interested in helping keep the Highway in front of our Church clean? Please contact the church office to sign up for a date.
- Our Food Pantry is open once a month on the 2nd Thursday of the month. We are now serving approximately 130 families in the Gautier area each month. If you are interested in helping contact Mary Wise (826-4133) .



DATES TO REMEMBER

February Ushers

- 3 Donnis Torgerson & Bill Fishinger
- 10 Ralph & Dottie Drake
- 17 Wayne & Pam Martin
- 24 Merlin Jose & Beju Chakkungal

March Ushers

- 2 George Haines & Dick Poole
- 9 Dick Poole & Jack Mattison
- 16 Kitty Ely & Daphne Henne
- 23 Anna & Joseph Chakkungal
- 30 Noah Wamsteker & Tony Laganga

February Birthday's

- 3 Pat Bernstein
- 4 Rick Torgerson
- 7 Julia Hagan
- 11 George Haines
- 17 Dick Poole
- 28 Lana Smeal

February Liturgist

- 17 Donnis Torgerson
- 24 Jerry Wise

March Birthdays

- 5 Deborah Kerr
- 5 Shelley Martin
- 6 Jacob Cooley
- 10 Samantha LaGanga
- 12 Karen Bullock
- 16 Jack Mattison
- 18 Sean Searcy
- 20 Joseph Cooley
- 27 Donnis Torgerson
- 30 Merlin Jose
- 31 Bill Chivers



SESSION NOTES

We met for our Stated Session Meeting on January 15th at 3:30

We examined Donnis Torgerson and Jerry Wise and approved them as ready to be ordained (Donnis) and installed as elders and members of Session.

We appointed

- Jerry Wise to be Chair of the Evangelism & Mission Team,
- Pam Martin to be Chair of Christian Nurture,
- Donnis Torgerson to be Chair of Fellowship, Hospitality & Pastoral Care and
- George Haines to be Chair of Property.
- Dan Woodward is Treasurer
- Bill Fishinger is Clerk of Session

Each team was to spend the time before the next Session meeting determining goals for the coming year.

Our Next Meeting: February 13th at 3:30.



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MISSISSIPPI CURSILLO # 1

This coming April, 2008 Mississippi Presbyterians will begin a new journey.

Mississippi Cursillo # 1 will be held at Paul B. Johnson State Park near Hattiesburg n April 24th-27th.

Cursillo is a three day retreat designed for Christians who desire to renew their faith and to develop a deeper understanding of their relationship with Christ.

The laity - led retreat is organized around a series of talks given by lay people and clergy who serve as staff.

Along with these talks, there are opportunities to worship, fellowship, sing and enjoy uplifting music, celebrate the Sacraments of the Lord's Supper, and participate in group discussions.

Cursillo is designed to direct participants in spiritual renewal and assist those who desire to grow in Christ

to witness and tell others about the love and work of Christ in their daily lives.

Any one who has not attended a Cursillo is encouraged to prayerfully consider attending. It is a wonderful and life changing experience.

Please pick up your application on the back table or in the church office.

