



“For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.”

Matthew 6:14-15

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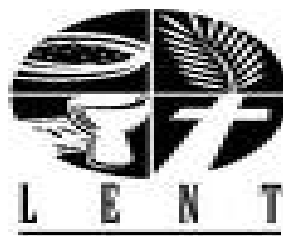
PASTOR BARB WRITES

Grace and Peace to You:

We enter the season of Lent this month. The church will be draped in purple as we move into this time of introspection and prayer. Ash Wednesday falls on March 9th. As we are marked with the sign of the cross, once again, we will hear the words, “You are dust and to dust you shall return.” Our worship service will begin at 7 pm, and we will start our Lenten journey contemplating the last words Christ spoke from the cross. The first word is “forgive.”

This year, we gather on Wednesday nights to eat soup and sandwiches at 6:30, and then sing Holden’s Evening

Prayer at 7:00 pm. Chris Hendricks, Earl Tucker, and I will share short vignettes with you over the following weeks as



Introspection and Prayer!

Jesus speaks to us from Golgotha.

Maundy Thursday, the night the church remembers Jesus eating his last supper with his disciples, washing their feet, praying for them, we will have a Seder. We will hear Jesus say “for you.” And on Good Friday, Jesus will speak of “hands” as I strip the altar and pass everything into the

hands of our altar guild. The table will lay bare, cold and empty. Death will have come.

Throughout the season it will be easy to avoid our journey, easy to spend Wednesdays at home around the TV. But, Lent is a season of grace. God’s great love for us is most clearly seen in the life and death of Jesus. Allow yourself to gather at the foot of Christ’s cross. Listen to him as he speaks of paradise, what it means to be forsaken, to thirst. Do not shy away, but come, linger, be blessed.

In Christ’s love,

Pastor Barb

COUNCIL NEWS

If there is anything you would like to add to the agenda for the next council meeting (March 8th), please contact Liz or any council member by Friday, March 4th.

2011 COUNCIL OFFICERS

President:
Jeff Bouchard

Vice President:
Fred Buyarski

Secretary:
Barbara Kelly

Please keep our officers in your prayers!!!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS! OUR VISITORS WILL APPRECIATE KNOWING WHO YOU ARE!

The February meeting of your congregation council took place on the 8th and here is a summary of major areas covered. The council began with some general house-keeping in that we filled the vacant liaison positions for Learning and Youth. Jeff Bouchard and Rebecca Bryan agreed to chair those liaison positions. The other area of housekeeping was the completion of devotion, opening and closing requirements by council members for the upcoming months. We have completed those requirements through May.

Martin Krumins sent a report in concerning the church financial situation and after a \$9,000.00 + offering from one of our members, our checking account balance was \$15,910.08. This put us in pretty good shape going into the remainder of the month. Marty also suggested that another person be placed on the signature card of the account in the event monies needed to be disbursed so the council suggested that our administrator, Liz Hill be that person, with Jeff Bouchard as the back-up.

Pastor Barb reported that monies have been coming in to support the Youth trip later this year. Monies collected to date are \$3,090.00 toward our goal of \$3,150.00. The Youth are planning additional fundraisers like "Rent-a-Kid" over the next few months to raise the balance needed for the trip. Pastor also reported that the Souper Bowl lunch netted \$646.00 and an abundance of canned goods all benefiting the One Roof ministry. The council listened as Pastor reviewed the updated Annual Report to be sent to Synod and we took part in a survey to establish the current state of the congregation. After a review of membership requirements, it was determined we have 187 members in good standing. Pastor concluded with a request to investigate the possibility of ordering shirts for the congregation and was given that permission to research the topic.

Jeff Hennum is our new Shepherding ministry chairperson and he was gracious enough to personally address the council with the goals of the ministry. There will be more to follow in this area from the committee itself.

The remainder of the meeting was spent coordinating the theme and logistics for our upcoming Council Retreat at Lutheridge. Pastor and six members of council will depart on Friday, February 25th for a weekend retreat centered on the theme, "From Maintenance to Mission" church. Chris Scott has graciously agreed to serve as Lay Minister for Sunday, February 27th in our absence.

We are still looking for three members of the congregation to head up the Audit Committee for our congregation. The Audit Committee is responsible for the oversight of the quality and integrity of the congregation's accounting and reporting practices, controls and financial statements and general compliance with our existing constitution and bylaws. If you are interested, please contact a council member for more information.

We are also asking for names of congregation members who would be interested in attending the Synod Assembly in June. Each year, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Southeastern Synod has sponsored a Synod Assembly as a forum to hear

the Great News of Christ from our Synod representatives. This is a very educational experience in that you will be able to participate in general information sessions that speak to the direction the Synod is heading and network with others from around the southeast. This year's assembly is scheduled for June 3 - 5 at the Renaissance-Waverly Hotel in Atlanta and each congregation can elect to send three people; two lay persons (1 male, 1 female) and our Pastor. You, the congregation, have a say as to who attends. We would like your input and ask that you submit names of prospective attendees to either, Fred Buyarski, Barbara Kelly, or myself for consideration.

We are looking forward to serving you, the congregation, and ask for your prayers and support in our efforts to grow our church. I leave you with this thought from Proverbs 3:5-6 as we go forward, together, through this year:

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.”

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Bouchard
Council President

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Income and Expense ~ January, 2011

<u>Income</u>	
Offerings	\$16,882.50
<u>Expense</u>	
Administration	583.82
Fun & Fellowship	115.97
Learning	20.92
Payroll	6,766.28
Property & Grounds <small>(Includes Mortgage)</small>	6,634.74
Staff Benefits	2,994.66
Systems	167.00
Vision-Marketing	102.80
Worship	31.19
Youth	37.35
 Total Expenses	 \$17,454.73
Net Income	\$ (572.23)

LOOK FOR
COUNCIL NEWS
UPDATES ON
THE FIRST
BULLETIN
BOARD

UPCOMING EVENTS

PANCAKE SUPPER



Fat Tuesday
Pancake Dinner
March 8, 2011

Sunday, March 6, 2011

Evangelism Outreach
Committee Meeting

Immediately following
11:00 Worship Service



ASH WEDNESDAY
March 9, 2011
7:00 pm
"Forgive"

LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE

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Ash Wednesday	March 9	Worship @ 7 pm	"Forgive"
Soup and sandwich	March 16	Meal @ 6:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer @ 7 pm	"Paradise"
Soup and sandwich	March 23	Meal @ 6:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer @ 7 pm	"Behold"
Soup and sandwich	March 30	Meal @ 6:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer @ 7 pm	"Forsaken"
Soup and sandwich	April 6	Meal @ 6:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer @ 7 pm	"Thirst"
Soup and sandwich	April 13	Meal @ 6:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer @ 7 pm	"Finished"
Maundy Thursday	April 21	Seder @ 6:00 pm	"For you"
Good Friday	April 22	Worship @ 7:00 pm	"Hands"

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR
ALTAR FLOWERS

Thank you!



UPCOMING EVENTS



What's So Amazing About Grace?

*"Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see."*

Grace is an amazing gift we receive from God through Christ Jesus.

Our new adult study will begin on Sunday, March 20th at 6:30 pm.

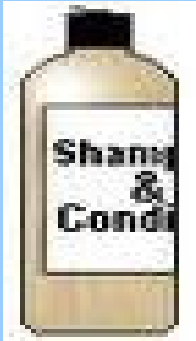


Guest Speakers in March Stewardship Opportunities

March 6: Derenda Rowe from One Roof Ministries
Derenda will be presented a check from Souper-Bowl Sunday.

March 20: Habitat Sunday
We will have special guests who have received Habitat homes.
We will take a special offering for this ministry to continue.

March 27
The Gideons will be here to speak of their ministry.
You will be given an opportunity to make an offering to them.



MARCH
SUNDAY DRIVE
SHAMPOO

"What therefore
God has joined
together, let no
man separate."
Mark 10:9



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR
HILDA MAYBEN

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2011
1:00 – 3:00 pm
Service at 2:00 pm

Wesley Wood Auditorium
Newnan, GA

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR
RUTH E. PHILLIPS

(VIKI KENDZIERSKI'S
MOTHER)

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2011
2:00 PM

CHRIST OUR HOPE
RIVERDALE, GA (HWY 138)

March
Building Open/Close

Barbara Kelly—Open
Jill Dance—Close

CONGRATULATIONS EARL & MARY LOU FOR FIFTY YEARS OF HOLY MATRIMONY



Surprise 50th Wedding Celebration
Earl & Mary Lou Tucker
Friday Feb 18, 2011



Laying on of Hands
Earl, Mary Lou & Family
Sunday, Feb 20, 2011

Thank you Resurrection Family for your love and support. We were truly surprised. What a fantastic way to celebrate 50 wonderful years of wedding bliss! Thank you. You are our "Family" and we really appreciate the loving surprise. We are forever grateful.

Earl & Mary Lou Tucker

The Mayonnaise Jar

When things in your life seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day is not enough; remember the mayonnaise jar and 2 cups of coffee. A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and start to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured it into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was. The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else he asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with an unanimous, 'yes.'

The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed.

'Now,' said the professor, as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life..

The golf balls are the important things - God, family, children, health, friends, and favorite passions things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the things that matter like your job, house, and car.

The sand is everything else --The small stuff..

'If you put the sand into the jar first,' he continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life.'

If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you.

So...Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Play with your children. Take time to get medical checkups. Take your partner out to dinner. Connect with friends.

There will always be time to clean the house and fix the dripping tap. 'Take care of the golf balls first -- The things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.'

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled. 'I'm glad you asked'. It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend.'

Please share this with your "Golf Balls" **I just did.....**

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Volunteer of the Year Krystopher Thompson

Krystopher Thompson, who has been a volunteer animal feeder for Cochran Mill Nature Center since he was in fourth grade – he's 17 now - was named Volunteer of the Year at the dinner. **Krys is a sophomore at Northgate High School in Coweta County.** Krys is an excellent role model for his younger brother and for young ones everywhere! We are very happy that **Krys** and his family have continued to make volunteering such an important part of their lives. Thanks for all you do Krys! Congratulations for being our 2010 Volunteer of the Year and keep up the great work!

Mark your calendar
for the Spring Meeting
of Conference 2
May 7, 2011 is Join
Hands Day

Meeting Time
9:00 to 3:00

Spring Meeting of Conference 2
May 7, 2011 is Join Hands Day (Meeting time: 9:00 to 3:00)
and on that day we will be joining hands at Lutheranch
to have a meeting and do a work project

Everyone is invited to join in so bring a large group of people from your church. This is an opportunity to see the new outdoor ministry site of the Southeastern Synod.

Two new officers for the conference will be

Agenda

Fellowship: 9:00
Work time: 9:30
Lunch: 12:30
Business meeting: 1:15
Worship: 2:15

There will be an opportunity to spend Friday night in the Retreat House if a minimum of 8 people commit. The cost will be \$29 if you bring your own linens. Contact Carla Stickles at : casapple@aol.com or Debbie Lundell at : debrallundell@comcast.net



Rent-a-Kid

March 19 and March 26

Have some spring cleaning to do?
Confirmation is ready to help.

What is Rent-a-Kid?

It is a fund-raising event for our Confirmation class to help raise money to send them to Affirm, a Christian camp experience organized through our Southeastern Synod.

You may “employ” a kid (or kids) for a minimum of \$30 per child. (S)he will work for a maximum of 3 hours. Feel free to “pay” the child more, if you choose.

Rent-a-Kid?

General yard work, spring cleaning in your home, cleaning the car...no machinery, please...are good “employment” opportunities for the children.

Fill out the form below to “hire” a kid. Please give us two choices of when the children could come to your home. Feel free to call the church office, if you would prefer. Place the form in the offering plate, or drop it off at the church office.

If you would simply like to make a donation, please write your checks payable to RLC and mark the memo line “Affirm.”
RENT-A-KID

“Employer’s” name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

Dates and times (please circle). Give us two options, please.

March 19 9 am - 12 am 1 pm – 4 pm

March 26 9 am – 12 am 1 pm – 4 pm



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