

October 2016

Great
Banoquet

At Lafayette
(Details enclosed)



Meet & Greet
Pastor Grace
Saturday
October 8
2 – 4PM



Oct 2 – Mark Withers
Oct 9 – Pastor Grace
(Congregational vote following worship)
Oct 16 – Richard Voorhees
Oct 23 – Pastor Andria Helm
Oct 30 – Pastor Andria Helm



**Columbus
Day**

October 10

October 26th
6:00PM
Hosted by Cutler
Presbyterian
Church

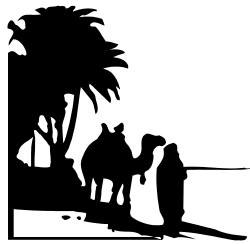


Christian Education

by Barb Mayfield

Fall Sunday School

Adult Sunday School has begun! We would love for you to join us! We meet from 9 to 10 a.m. in the upstairs classroom next to the kitchen. If you are in choir, no problem – stay for the first half of class. We are using the video-based “Believe” study which covers 30 key beliefs of the faith. We covered almost half last year and have the rest to finish this year. Books and study guides are available. Don’t worry about missing any lessons, each one stands alone as well as works together.



OASIS

We praise God for wonderful weather and a great turnout for our Oasis kick-off on September 14th. Lots of children, youth, adult helpers and parents came. A big thank you to everyone who helped out!

We need you!

We welcome your help in many forms:

- Meal preparers and helpers – see the sign-up list in the Fellowship room.
- Group helpers – see Barb if you can help out weekly or occasionally.
- Games – before dinner the children enjoy playing board games, putting together puzzles, playing cards, etc. If you have no longer used games in good condition (anything that takes no more than 10-15 minutes to play), please bring to the dining room.



- Financial donations – This ministry is possible because of your generosity! You help pay for meals, special events, supplies, our new worship leader, and more. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please write “Oasis” in the memo line of your check.

October Fun Night – Hayride

This year’s hayride will be on Wednesday, Oct 26th hosted by the Cutler Presbyterian Church.



Fall Concerts:



We are excited to again host **de la Croix**, national touring and recording artists. Tim and Danielle Fontaine once lived in Flora and

attended Flora Presbyterian Church. By the time you read this they will have led us in worship for a block party, Sunday morning worship, and on Wednesday night at Oasis. They do not charge for their concerts, but simply collect a free will offering. If you wish to support their ministry, you may do so safely online.

For more information, visit their website:

<http://www.de-la-croix.com/>

October Library Corner

by Laraine MacLauchlan

Oasis has begun and wait 'til you see the great books and DVD's here! I'm sure everyone will like the selections, including the adults. Teens and juveniles will also approve. See you at the library!

Presbyterian Women

by Jane Bishop



The Mary-Martha Circle will meet October 18 in the basement dining room at 7:00PM. The Hostess will be Libby S.; Year Book of Prayer, Donna S.; Horizons, Barbara W.; and Bible Study, Laraine Mac. All women are invited.

Thrift Shop Schedule for October

Sat. Oct 1, 4-8PM Lariane, Donna, Libby, Jane
Thurs. Oct 6..... ..Libby S.....Sort & Mark
Sat. Oct 15Donna S Cashier
Sat. Oct 29..... ..Joan..... Sacker

Congregational Life

by Sally Schmidt



There will be a meet and greet reception for Pastor Grace on Saturday, October 8, 2016, between 2 and 4PM at the Church. Please come and say "Hello".

Worship Committee

by Terry Langston

Choir has started again for fall. We meet at 9:30AM on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please come! We would gladly welcome you to join us in lifting our voices in worshipping our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



Clerk of Session

by Laraine MacLauchlan

Session will meet on Sunday, October 9th.

Stewards/Mission

by Joe Mayfield

I am writing this article on the first day of fall, but the high temperature is to be 88 degrees! We may still have some summer fun left but we also need to be thinking about a more regular, non-summer church schedule. Adult Sunday



school has just started and we are doing the excellent BELIEVE SERIES.

Please add plans to attend at 9AM to your Sunday schedule.

The first day of fall is also a good time to look at your pledging and make plans to bring it up to date if it has fallen behind with all the summer traveling and adventures. Giving

through the month of August was 62,473 dollars. Expenses for the same time period were 53,673 dollars.

We have been doing many major and minor projects around the church lately. New downstairs carpet has been chosen and ordered and will be installed in early October. We will be asking for volunteers to help move stuff around during the installation. We have had Lauderdale plumbing working on the downstairs kitchen drain but sadly we think the drain has collapsed outside the church. Digging that up may be the next unpleasant step. Marshall McCammack and Patsy have taken on some outdoor painting projects. Thank you! Oasis leaders have cleaned each of the classrooms and they are now in tip top shape. We have a company figuring a price for some high outside painting that needs done. If you have it in your heart to donate especially to this work, let me know. That giving is indeed a very special blessing.



Thank you for your support on these projects and thank you for your continuing support of this church. I know it is hard sometimes but Perseverance does indeed build Character. I

believe God does truly have a future planned for this church. It may not look exactly like you are thinking, but it will for sure take each and every one of us to see it through.



And finally, put in your calendar these two very important dates: October 8th from 2 to 4PM, a reception for our pastor candidate. Sunday worship, October 9th, we will be hearing this candidate preach, and then have a congregational vote on accepting this candidate as our new pastor. Exciting stuff, don't miss it!



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!



Come.....For all is now ready.....
Luke 14:15-24

Great Banquet Fall Banquets are scheduled:
Lafayette:

- Men's #117 – October 13-16, 2016
- Women's #118 – October 20-23, 2016
- Women's #119 – October 27-30, 2016

For those of you who have not attended a Great Banquet, it is an amazing 72 hour spiritual retreat beginning on Thursday evening and ending on Sunday evening. During this time, guests live and study together in a worshipful time of singing, prayer, sharing, and discussion. Please consider attending this year!

For those of you who have attended, please consider sponsoring someone to attend. No matter how long it has been since you attended, I'm sure you remember what a wonderful and blessed experience this is!

For registration and/or sponsor forms, please contact me at 765-588-7408 or by e-mail at tammy.moss@thefarmersbank.com. If you have any questions, please contact me or anyone on the CE Committee.

Thank you, Tammy Moss



Additional Thoughts.....

Look up

Pride leads to every other vice: it is the complete anti-God state of mind. ... As long as you are proud, you cannot know God. A proud [person] is always looking down on things and people. And, of course, as long as you are looking down, you cannot see something that is above you.
—C.S. Lewis

Daily tasks

When I awoke this morning, I asked, "How shall I live this day?" The answers were all around me:

- The fan said, "Keep your cool."
- The ceiling said, "Aim high."
- The window said, "Look outside yourself."
- The clock said, "Every minute is precious."
- The calendar said, "Stay up to date."
- The door said, "Take advantage of opportunity."
- The floor said, "Kneel down and pray."

—Unknown (adapted)



Choir Practice 9:30; Worship 10:15; Sunday School as announced

Flora Presbyterian Church

October 2016

B=Birthday N=Nursery SR=Scripture Readers U=Ushers

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 N=Martha Clark SR=Laurie Brower SR=Terry Langston U=Ed & Donna Sholty	3	4	5 6:00PM Oasis Library	6	7	8 B=Ann Brown B=Craig McGill 7:00PM Meet & Greet Reception for Pastor Grace
9 Session Meeting N=Martha Clark SR=Patsy McCammack SR=Joe Mayfield U=Doug & Laraine MacLauchlan B=Ava McGill	10  Columbus Day	11	12 6:00PM Oasis	13 B=Jane Kearns Men's Great Banquet - Lafayette Oct 13 - 16	14	15
16 N=Martha Clark SR=Marshall McCammack SR=Laraine MacLauch. U=Ron & Angie Austin	17 7:00PM Crafters at Cutler Presbyterian	18 7:00PM Mary- Martha Circle	19 6:00PM Oasis Game Night	20 Women's Great Banquet - Lafayette Oct 20 - 23	21	22
23 N=Martha Clark SR=Ann Brown SR=Doug MacLauchlan U=Mark & Denise Good B=Mitchell Catron B=Barb Mayfield	24	25	26 Oasis Fall Break Hayride @ Cutler 6:00PM	27 Women's Great Banquet - Lafayette Oct 27 - 30	28	29
30 N=Martha Clark SR=Tammy Moss SR=Bill Kearns U=Sally Schmidt Laurie Brower November Pulse	31	Nov 1	Nov 2 6:00PM Oasis Library	Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5



Friends in the Lord

Jesus offers a perfect example of friendship.
What does he do for his friends?

Directions: Follow the clues to fill in the blanks. Then write the completed Bible verse below.

1. Better than; rhymes with crater: _____
2. Opposite of hate: _____
3. Opposite of yes: _____
4. Three minus two: _____
5. Not _____ but that; rhymes with hiss: _____
6. To place something down; rhymes with say: _____
7. Opposite of up: _____
8. Opposite of death: _____
9. Best buds: _____

" _____¹ _____² has _____³
_____⁴ than _____⁵ : to _____⁶ _____⁷
one's _____⁸ for one's _____⁹."

JOHN 15:13, NIV

Answer: "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13, NIV

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