



## MARCH 2020



CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

March 15<sup>th</sup>  
Following Service



Time to  
Spring Ahead  
MARCH 8<sup>th</sup>



Happy  
SPRING!

Spring begins  
March 19<sup>th</sup>



Oasis Skating  
Party  
March 25<sup>th</sup>



March 22<sup>nd</sup>

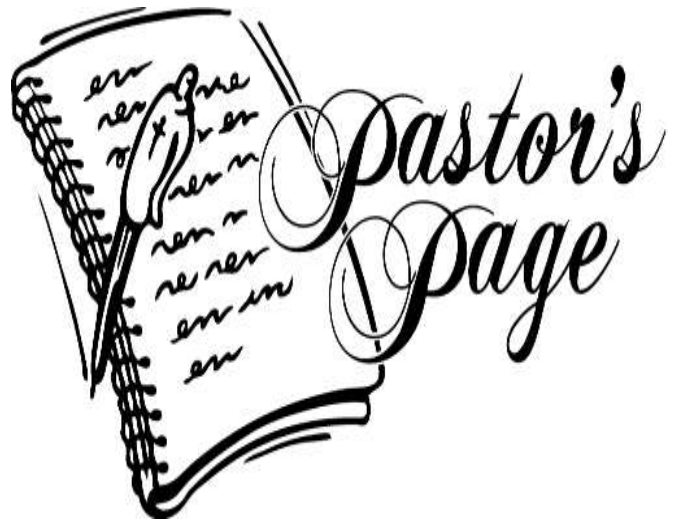
# The Season of Lent

Traditionally during the season of Lent, we give up something... a bad habit or something we dearly enjoy... out of love for Jesus. As a way of sharing in Jesus' sacrifice for us. Of course, there is nothing we can do that comes close to His giving up His life for us. Forgoing caffeine, video games or tv shows is a nice gesture especially if we replace them with something more holy but it is only a gesture.

At the start of the year I called for us to look at improving our witness for Christ. To have 2020 Vision towards the end of the year and what we would want to look back on ourselves. So for Lent, I am not so much as asking you to give something up as to take something on.

What can you begin to do, improve upon, do more of... that would make God smile? Read a chapter a day of the Bible. Actually read the context not just the words on the page. Ask questions, take notes, underline parts of it. Start praying from a prayer list that you write out yourself. When someone asks you to pray for them, write it down and spend time each day with your list praying for each one on that list individually. Make notes as to how God is speaking to you about that person or situation. Send a card to that person letting them know that you are praying for them.

Lent began February 26<sup>th</sup> with Ash Wednesday. While the service was snowed out and has been rescheduled for March 4<sup>th</sup>, Lent has officially begun and will continue until Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. You may find that you like doing these things and continue doing them after Easter and that is great. It would be nice to share what other ideas you have for making God smile during Lent. During our Prayer & Praise time we could share what we are doing to encourage one another and give each other ideas.



Remember that all that we do is to be done for the glory of God. Our speech, our work, our resting and our relaxing... all for His glory.

Your sister in Christ,  
Pastor Grace



## **Weekly Bible Studies** ***Study of the Gospels***

Sundays at the Delphi Church  
Office 4:30PM

## ***Study of 1 Samuel***

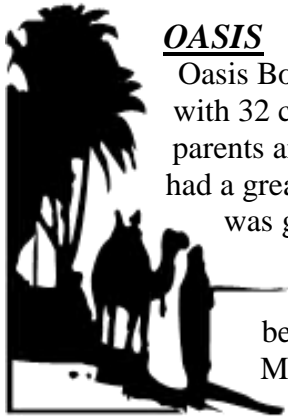
Thursdays Home of Pastor Grace-  
5:30PM

## Christian Education

by Barbara Pearce

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday School just finished the book (Be Committed), looking at Ruth and Esther. We are currently looking for a Biblical Study on Mary Magdalene. Anyone interested in this study is very welcome to join us every Sunday at 9:00 AM. The Children just finished the All-in-one Sunday School Study and has started the 12-month Videos on "What's in the Bible". So far, we have learned that the Protestant, Catholic and Orthodox Bibles has different number of books in their Old Testament. We have also learned that the Holy Scriptures before the year 400 AD were called the Septuagint. The Apocrypha are 15 scriptures that are not in our Protestant Bible. Some of the 15 books are included in the Catholic and Orthodox Bibles. Learning new things about our bible is really exciting. Children Sunday School also starts at 9:00 AM every Sunday.



### OASIS

Oasis Bowling Party was very successful with 32 children bowling. There were parents and friends at the event. Everyone had a great time. Wednesday, February 26 was going to be the Ash Wednesday Worship Service with a meal, however due to weather; we will be having a service and dinner on March 4<sup>th</sup>. This month the Oasis Children are invited to a Roller-Skating Party on March 25, during Spring Break. Oasis is currently studying Paul's Ministry Travels. The children are also learning memory verses.



We are now getting together our VBS Planning Leaders to start looking at our Study for this Summer. Be on the lookout for more information as it is planned.



## Presbyterian Women

By Jane Bishop

The Mary-Martha Circle will meet on March 17 in the church dining room at 6:00. We will be using the Presbyterian Women's Bible Study, "Love Carved in Stone". This month the Hostess will be Libby Sparks; Year Book of Prayer, Deloris Pitts; Horizons, Jane Kearns; Bible Study, Jane Bishop. We welcome all women.

### Thrift Shop Schedule for March:

Thurs. March 5, Sort Marlene S.

Sat. March 21 Register Barbara P.

Libby S., Jane B.

Thurs, March 26, Sort-Jane K.

### Notes

By Toni Brewster



Greetings! I am sitting in the rocking chair looking out over our back yard...and I am conflicted by what I am humming. "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas..." But we have entered Lent, and this season certainly deserves a different mindset. In sermon and song we begin to walk with Jesus as He continues to fulfill prophecies of old. We walk toward Jerusalem. We walk with the 12. And soon we will weep as Holy Week arrives. Just as you read your Bible, take time to look through your hymnal, read the words in your favorite songs, place them in your hearts... and learn more about His Long road ahead. Do this for the songs we sing each Sunday. It began at the cradle and ended at the cross. His human life ended. Horribly. Painfully. A mockery. (But we know something wonderful is going to happen! Stay tuned...)



## **Congregational Life**

*By Sally Schmidt*

**March 8<sup>th</sup>**

### ***The Times They Are a Changin'!***

Times may change, but God never does.

Hallelujah!! Everything we do here at Flora PC is a ministry unto the Lord. Every committee is a ministry unto the Lord. Which of these ministries do YOU want to serve on????

Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>, Finger Foods will be served in the dining hall for you to enjoy as you walk around and view the displays of various committees of our church. You will have the opportunity to sign up to be a part of the ministry team of God's choice.

Pray this week where God wants to use you and be ready to serve Him. To serve the King of kings, the Lord of lords, the Savior of the world here in Flora.

**March 29<sup>th</sup>**

We will have our joint worship service with Delphi 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian here at Flora. There will be a soup and sandwich luncheon following the service.

### **EVENTS COMING SOON**

**April 4<sup>th</sup> Called Conference for Women**

**April 5<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**

**April 6<sup>th</sup> Seder Meal at Delphi PC**

**More info to come.**

**April 9<sup>th</sup> Maundy Thursday**

**April 10<sup>th</sup> 12PM Good Friday Service @ FPC**

**7PM Service @ Flora 1<sup>st</sup> Christian**

**April 12<sup>th</sup> EASTER SUNDAY**



**If you would be interested in being a  
Worship Volunteer Please see Toni Brewster  
or Melvin Matos**

### **USHERS**

*March 1 Barbara Pearce*

*March 8 Joe and Tammy Moss*

*March 15 Sally Schmidt, Kevin Clark*

*March 22 Gerry and Susan Hollis*

*March 29 Barbara Pearce*

### **Scripture Readers for March**

*March 1 Bill Kearns, Deloris Pitts*

*March 8 Tammy Moss, Marlene Smith*

*March 15 Judah Pitts, Susan Hollis*

*March 22 Jay McMillin, Michelle Matos*

*March 29 Shawn Ross Pitts, Michelle Matos*

### **Coffee Fellowship for March**

*March 1 Barbara Pearce*

*March 8 Joe and Tammy Moss*

*March 15 Martha Clark*

*March 22 Joan Moss, Susan Scholl*

*March 29 Barbara Pearce*

### **Acolytes for March**

*March 1 Haylee Randolph, Kolton Pitts*

*March 8 Janessa Pitts, Shawn Ross Pitts*

*March 15 Judah Pitts, Haylee Randolph*

*March 22 Kolton Pitts, Janessa Pitts*

*March 29 Shawn Ross Pitts, Judah Pitts*

### **Session Leaders**

Michelle Matos- Clerk

Barbara Pearce – Personnel

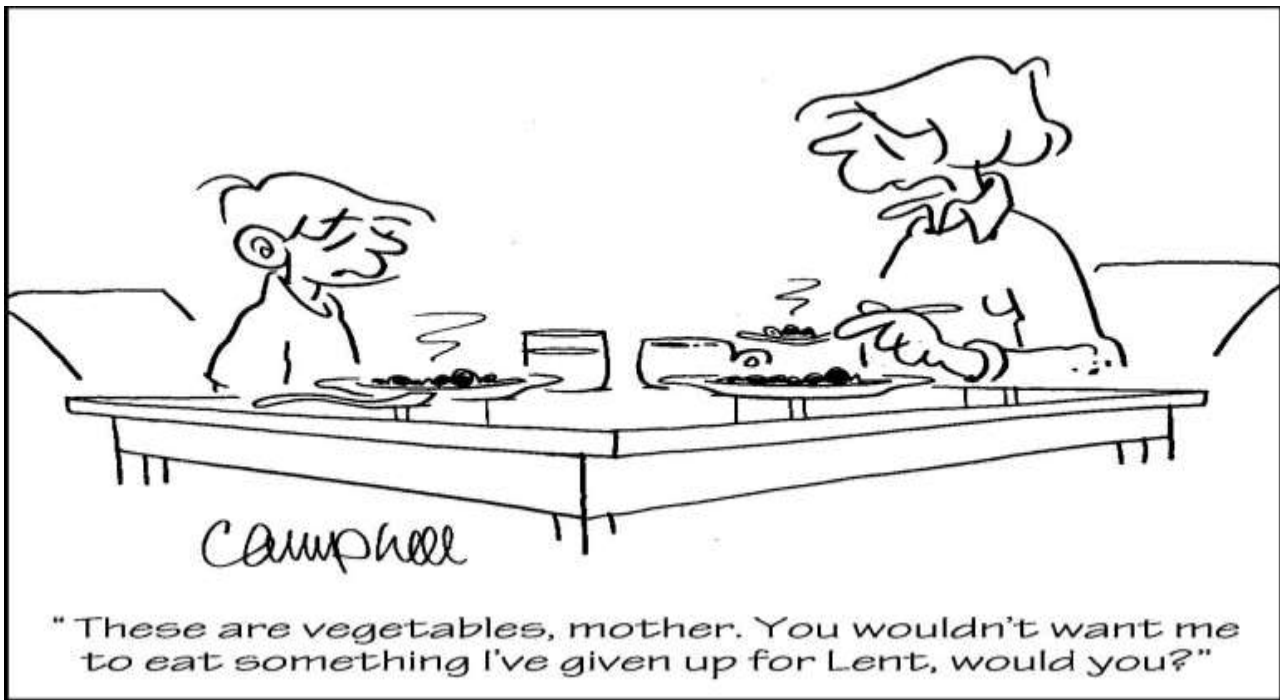
Melvin Matos – Worship

Martha Clark- Stewardship

Kent King- Bldg and Grounds

Deloris Pitts- Missions

Sally Schmidt- Cong. Life



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# B=Birthdays

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Bible Study 4:30PM  Cantata Practice 2-4PM	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Oasis 6PM	<b>5</b>  Bible Study 5:30	<b>6</b>  B=Howard McGill	<b>7</b>  8:30 Bells 9:30 Choir
<b>8</b>  Bible Study 4:30PM Cantata Practice 2-4PM	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>  B=Earnest Pitts	<b>11</b> Senior Lunch Delphi 12PM Oasis 6PM	<b>12</b>  Bible Study 5:30	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  8:30 Bells 9:30 Choir
<b>15</b> Bible Study 4:30PM  Cantata Practice 2-4PM	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Mary Martha 6PM  St. Patricks Day	<b>18</b>  Oasis 6PM	<b>19</b>  Spring begins!!	<b>20</b>  B=Heather Mauer B=Maggie Randle	<b>21</b>  8:30 Bells 9:30 Choir
<b>22</b>  Cantata Practice 2-4PM	<b>23</b>  B=Dick Bishop	<b>24</b>  B=ShawnRoss Pitts	<b>25</b>  Oasis Skate	<b>26</b>  Bible Study 5:30	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>  8:30 Bells 9:30 Choir  B=Rhoda Kratz
<b>29</b> Bible Study 4:30 Cantata Practice 2-4PM	<b>30</b>  B=Renee Randolph	<b>31</b>				