

The Broadcaster



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Pembroke Pines, FL
Rev. Michel D. Yonts, Pastor
MARCH 2013

DARKNESS AND LIGHT: As I sit here thinking about the events we will “celebrate” in March – particularly the events of Holy Week – I am seeing a contrast in my mind between what happened in the dark and what happened in the light. Focusing on the latter part of Holy Week, from Maundy Thursday and Good Friday through Easter, we see several events shrouded in darkness and one event in a glorious blaze of light.

Following the Last Supper Jesus and the disciples went to Gethsemane where Jesus prayed in the darkness and suffered great anguish. The temple guards led by Judas came to arrest Him in the dark of night. The Sanhedrin conducted their travesty of a trial during the dead of night. As Jesus hung on the cross the sky turned dark, and in that darkness He died. Then He was laid and sealed in a cold, dark tomb. The One who is the Light of the World seemed to have been overcome with darkness.

But the Light drives out the darkness. On Sunday morning as the sun rose and gave its light to the world Jesus arose in a glorious burst of light. The Light has overcome the darkness, Life has overcome death, the Righteousness of God has overcome sin.

In our own lives we were dead in our sins, ensnared in the darkness of our unredeemed souls. We were lost in the night, trapped in tombs of our transgressions, and undone by our own wickedness. But then the Light of Christ burst onto our lives and we are delivered! Night becomes day, death is vanquished, life abounds, and sin is cast out with the demons so that we might be accounted righteous before God.

Holy Week is more than just an historical account of the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. Holy Week is personal history for every believer. In baptism we are buried with Christ, in faith we are raised with Him, and in hope we look forward to eternity in the glorious presence of God our Savior.

~Pastor Michel



HOLY WEEK SERVICES



In as much as Holy Week is not just a celebration of historical events, but evidence of our own salvation journey, it is important that we participate in all the worship opportunities of Holy Week.

Sunday, March 24	10:30 AM	Palm Sunday
Thursday, March 28	7:30 PM	Maundy Thursday
Sunday, March 31	11:00 AM	Easter – Celebration of the Resurrection

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL with Pastor Michel continues at 9:15 A.M. in the Library. We are in a study of the book of Job. Join us on any Sunday, except March 3rd when we will not have class.



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY—The Wednesday morning Bible study is currently in a study of 2 Timothy. The class meets at 10:30 AM. Don't miss out! We have great discussions of Biblical matters that relate to our lives, so come join us.

WORSHIP SERVICE CHANGE:

Please note, Communion will be served on **March 10** this month.

PALMS NEEDED FOR PALM SUNDAY!



We need to identify someone who can provide a supply of palm fronds for Palm Sunday. Areca (cane) palm fronds are ideal. If you have these in your yard and are willing to harvest and supply palm branches for Palm Sunday, please contact Mary Beth Northrup.

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST—

from 9:30-10:30am, the Fellowship Ministry will be hosting our annual Easter Breakfast for the congregation. Join us for food and fellowship before we go into worship (11:00 am). Look for the sign up poster in the Narthex for food donations.



FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MOVIE NIGHT POTLUCK DINNER -

Held on the 3rd Saturday of each month. In March that will be **March 16th** at 6:00 pm. Bring a pot luck dish to share. Following dinner we will watch *The Climb* starring Jason George and Ned Vaughan about two hotshot solo climbers who forge an uneasy friendship to reach their ultimate summit. A test of wills, character and sacrifice that pushes both men beyond their limits.



FRIDAY NIGHT WITH FRIENDS

On **March 22** we will be dining at Mazelli's Restaurant, 9763 W. Broward Blvd in Plantation at 6:30 pm.

We have been praying for Stacy's friend Tom for some time and he has recently opened this restaurant so let's go and support this new venture. We will car pool from the church at 6:00. Cynthia says "The place was beautifully decorated and the ambiance was truly inviting. The food was excellent, I JUST LOVED IT".

Please contact Judy Otto if you will be going so we can give a head count to the restaurant.

CHURCH PICNIC

It is time for our annual church picnic. Plan to attend this fun event on Sunday, **March 17th**. Following worship we will head over to the Sabal Palm Pavilion at Tree Tops Park (located off Palm Ave north of Griffin),

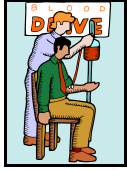
Fellowship will provide the hamburgers and hot dogs. Everyone is asked to bring either a side dish or dessert and their own beverage. Picnic tables are available; however, you may want to bring a lawn chair.



YOU ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR YOUR PICNIC ATTIRE TO CHURCH THAT DAY!!

A reminder: There is a \$1.50 per person charge to enter the park (under age 6 free).

BLOOD DRIVE



We Want Your Blood – AGAIN!

The next Blood Drive will be held on Thursday, **March 21st** from 3 until 8 p.m. Please mark your calendars and plan to donate. This is a wonderful opportunity to give “The gift of life” – signups will begin on March 3rd.

Thank You!
Jane Bodden

MEN’S GROUP



The men’s group will meet on **March 27** at 7:30 in the Library. Join us for fellowship and discussion.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

We need teachers for the Pre-K and K class and for the 4th and 5th grade class. Also, we can use substitutes. Please see Pastor, Steve Minikus or Sandy Venema for this. You must be a member to do this, but you do NOT have to be a female! We would LOVE to have some guys involved!! No previous experience required!!!

THE LADIES TEA NEEDS A SPONSOR!

The Annual Ladies Tea is scheduled for **May 4th** but it might not happen without your help. The Tea needs a sponsor, some lovely lady to solicit table hostesses and ensure there’s enough hot water to steep the leaves. There will be a variety of ladies willing to help make sandwiches, bring cakes, teas, etc. We just need a coordinator.

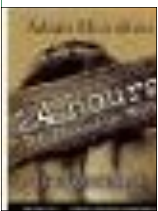


If you would like to be that lovely lady, please see Annette Adams or Linda Purrington!

PRAYER GROUP AND PRAISE WORSHIP

Praise worship will be held on **March 10**, at 6:30 PM. We do want to see a good turnout for this time of worship. It is a lot of work to provide this kind of service, and if there is not a significant interest in it, we will have to discontinue it. So please join us for Praise and Prayer on the second Sunday of the month. Prayer group will meet on **March 24**, again at 6:30 PM. Join us for these times of worship and prayer with your

“24 HOURS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD.”



Beginning Friday, **March 15th** at 6:30 p.m., our church will offer a seven-week study you won’t want to miss: “24 Hours That Changed the World.”

No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. In this study, Adam Hamilton guides us through the last 24 hours of Jesus’ life. Each session is designed to help participants experience and understand the significance of Jesus’ suffering and death in a way they may never have before, whether they are long-time Christians or simply curious

about the story of Christ’s crucifixion.

Whether you are a long-time Christian or simply curious about the story of Christ’s crucifixion, you are invited to join us on this inspiring journey. The study includes the book by Adam Hamilton, *24 Hours That Changed the World* and the DVD with seven sessions filmed in the Holy Land.

For more information about this special event and how you can participate, please contact Linda Purrington at 954-434-6641 (leave a message) or linda.purrington@gmlaw.com



Our dear friend Gladys Sheppard went to be with the Lord on February 21st. Gladys joined the family of Faith with her husband Dan on March 2, 1980. She was an ordained Elder and Deacon. With her sweet spirit, she was willing to serve where needed—serving refreshments at VBS, cleaning the restrooms, folding bulletins, part of the Sr. Ladies Group.... A quote from Jane Bodden: "Her smiling face and ready laugh endeared her to all who met her. She was kind, helpful, loving, generous and fun-loving. This little girl from Nassau travelled the world and hob-nobbed with celebrities. But all that never changed who she was, nor caused her to forget her roots. She remained humble and down-to-earth, a woman of strong morals and strong faith. Until her declining health prevented her, she was in worship every Sunday, occupying her aisle seat in the back row. She was a joy to be around and was a wonderful example of how to serve God, to live and to enjoy life."

It seemed appropriate to enclose a recipe for the well loved meat loaf that Gladys made:

GLADYS' MEAT LOAF

32 oz uncooked lean ground beef	1 tsp Italian seasoning
2 cans tomato sauce	2 serving(s) Progresso Italian Style Bread Crumbs
1 Tbsp A-1	1 envelope(s) onion soup, dry mix
1 egg, beaten	1 tsp garlic powder
1 tsp dried thyme	

Mix all ingredients except 1 can of tomato sauce thoroughly. Shape into loaf in baking pan. Pour 2nd can of tomato sauce over loaf. Add 1/2 cup water to pan. Cook at 350 for 1 to 1 1/2 hours.

MINUTE FOR MISSION...

Last month a small fellowship listened to Darcie Gill from VOM (The Voice of the Martyrs) about the persecution of our brothers and sisters around the world. Listening was only one of the many senses that were awakened that evening.

We saw pictures and heard stories about the devotion of those who receive Christ as Lord. We viewed tears of joy that were shed at receiving their own Bibles, along with the tears of pain that many shed as a result of being tortured for their faith.

Naming just a few of the emotions we may have felt... introspection for how we could help, maybe some guilt..of not having the same passion they exhibited, and the inspiration to be better "in our faith and witness" to others. A comment by one attendee remarked " they had such a passion for the love of the Word and such faith in trying times.

We hope to have Darcie back another time to share with us more from VOM.

We have an opportunity to support VOM this coming Easter. The Easter Lily collection/ Missions focus will allow us to help a new one-of-a-kind medical clinic.

Update: Prostheses Reach Nigerian Christians

"While the bodies of our brothers and sisters in Nigeria may have been broken, the condition of their faith is tremendously strong," said a VOM worker.

Attacks by radical Muslim groups like Boko Haram occur regularly. Attackers often sever the legs and arms of their victims with machetes, leaving them without a means to support their families. Providing the victims with mobility (custom prostheses) will impact not only their own quality of life, but also that of their families.

We are so blessed to live in this country to worship freely our Lord and Savior. Thanks be to God.

In Christ's love and service, Jane Minikus

HOPE WOMEN'S CENTER ANNUAL BANQUET

The 26th Annual Hope Women's Fundraising Banquet will be Monday, *April 8* at Signature Grand in Davie. Rick Santorum will be the keynote speaker for the evening. Mr. Santorum was a candidate for the Republican nomination for president of the United States in 2012. There is no charge to attend this event, but you will be asked to give a gift at the end of the evening and challenged to make a monthly pledge to Hope for the year ahead. Your gift will help encourage and equip women to make informed choices regarding unplanned pregnancies. It costs about \$400 for Hope to see one woman through the process of counseling, a pregnancy test, an ultrasound, and follow-up so this event is a crucial fundraiser for this wonderful organization. Please see Sarah Walaschek if you are interested in attending the banquet or have any questions. Her cell is (954)290-0640 and email is sara-hbe715@aol.com.

THANK YOU



~The 17 people who made the St. Augustine trip had a great time. We all thank Cynthia Isaacs VERY MUCH for all her work in making this trip possible. You are so appreciated!!

Ian Mackay led us in a devotional before we started our day on Saturday and his suggestion on how to start your day was "Coffee and Christ". We liked that catchy phrase.

~Thank you to Steve Nash for all his work on the sprinkler system and to Gary Venema for assisting.

~Thank you to Bob Bailey for fixing the drawer that fell out of the desk in the church office!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Howdy Y'all! It that time of year again! I am starting preparations for this year's Vacation Bible School. Since I am doing it from Wisconsin, I will be communicating through e-mails and phone calls. I will come down to Florida a few days before VBS starts in order to do all the last minute stuff, such as buying snacks, decorating the sanctuary, meeting with the teachers, classroom preparation, etc. It's going to be a GREAT VBS!



This year's theme is **SonWest Roundup**. There are a lot of fun things to do with the Old West theme and I know for a fact that words such as reckon, cowpokes, yee-haw, rip-roaring and rootin'-tootin' will be used that week.

The mural painters have the outlines for this year's murals, so they will be getting started soon. Kathy has gotten the paper and they are getting started on outlining so they can start to paint. Once the painting dates are set, an announcement will be made. If you want to help with the murals, you are more than welcome. **NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED!** Please let Marge know of your interest.

That is all for now. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

~June Glasel

We wish Kathy & Scott Nicholson the very best as they move to Tampa, FL. They have promised to come back and visit so we are going to hold them to that! Kathy is graciously helping line up the mural painting before she leaves. We will miss their sweet smiles and willing help. Thank you both and may God bless you in your new home!

It is Daylight Saving time so before you go to bed on Saturday night, March 9th, be sure and put your clock ahead one hour.



YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Sr. High Students continue to meet following the sermon for their study time together .

Mirta Flavell.



The Youth Group for Middle School and High School Youth will gather together on Wednesday evenings, **March 13th** and **March 27** from 6:30-

8:30 pm.

IGNITE WORSHIP

Calling all high school youth and young adults!

Ignite Worship meets in the classroom at the back of Fellowship Hall .. just follow the other sound of worship! We are off to a great start.



Come early and don't miss this time together with your friends spent before the Lord as we praise, worship and seek His face.

Marilyn Acevedo

COMING IN APRIL: A soup and salad fundraiser for the Middle School and Sr. High Youth on Sunday, **April 7** following the worship service. Please plan on attending. If you are willing to make a soup, please contact Marilyn or Mirta. This fundraiser will help them attend the Acquire the Fire event coming soon.

WE ARE PROUD OF OUR YOUTH!

The Flanagan High School Cheerleading Team which Leilani Morales is the Captain came in 5th place at the state championship - go Falcons

On Feb 9 and 10 Elizabeth Flavell won grand champion both days at the Heritage Horse Show. She competes in the child adult 2'6" hunter class and won a total of 8 first place ribbons/medals. She is currently in 2nd place in the Marshall Sterling National Competition.

COMMUNICANTS CLASS

Attention all students (and parents of students) in Grades 8 through 12 (ages 13-18) who are not currently members of Faith Presbyterian Church: If you are interested in becoming a member of the church, Pastor Michel will be offering a series of classes intended to lead up to that result. The classes will be offered after worship, and we will order pizza so you don't starve!



In the classes we will cover what it means to be a Christian, what it means to be a church member, and what the Bible says we must believe and do. Classes will be offered on **March 10 and 24, April 14, 21 and 28, and May 5**. Those who wish to join must attend all classes. Please let Pastor Michel know if you would like to be a part of this class.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



March 10, 1973	Robert & Nancy Bailey
March 11	Liz & Obed Saladana
March 16, 1968	Orville & Janet Hart
March 23, 1994	Jose & Laura Clavijo
March 29	Ed & Dawn Gariboldi

WORSHIP CDS

Did you know that each Sunday's worship service is available on CD in the church library for members to borrow? There are CD file boxes just to the right of the door in from the sanctuary. The most current services are in the top box in the front.

If you miss a Sunday, or just want to hear the service again, check out this ministry of the church – but please remember to bring the CDs back!

If you want to purchase a CD to keep or send to a friend, you can request one from Pastor Michel or Winston Seepersaud. The cost is just \$3.

STARTING MARCH 3 at 8:00 and running for 5 consecutive weeks on The History Channel will be a new mini-series, *The Bible*. Produced by Christian film makers, *The Bible* is an epic 10-part miniseries (2 one hour long episodes will be shown each week) retelling stories from the Scriptures for a whole new generation. Breath-taking in scope and scale, *The Bible* features powerful performances, exotic locales and visual effects that breathe spectacular life into the dramatic tales of faith and courage from Genesis through Revelation. This historic television event is sure to entertain and inspire the whole family!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March 1	Judy Otto
March 3	Brett Clavijo Chris Secrest Edna Vickers
March 4	Daniel Rodriguez
March 6	Berenice Becher
March 9	Allison McKirchy Mary Ann Radler Michelle Russell Matt Secrest
March 10	Elizabeth Hendricks
March 11	Amy Anderson
March 13	Peggy Hernandez
March 15	Elise Hudson
March 19	Stacy Bennett Latoya Isaacs
March 23	Bryce Agate
March 24	Alicia Darrell Ali Saladeen
March 25	Winston Seepersaud
March 29	Luz Porter
March 30	Robert Bailey Lya Moler
March 31	Paul Hendricks

THE MOVIE COURAGEOUS

The movie *Courageous* will be shown at Faith on Friday, **March 8** at 6:30 pm. This is a marvelous film of courage, loyalty and faith. It has humor, adventure and a great message.

If you missed seeing it in the theater, come see it now. If you've already seen it, come see it again! There is no charge.

RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

There is a container in the Narthex where you can place your old cell phones, ink jet cartridges, digital cameras, working or non-working laptop computers, or ipods, portable DVD players, MP3 players, GPS devices, digital frames etc. This is a great way to help recycle unwanted items and a way for the church to make a little extra funds.

~Peg Royle

SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 2013

LITURGIST:

Mar 3 Steve Minikus
Mar 10 Cynthia Isaacs
Mar 17 Mary Beth Northrup
Mar 24 Steve Minikus
Mar 31 Wayne Adams

COMMUNION-ELDERS/DEACONS:

1. Ethel Thomas 5. Ralph Acevedo
2. Sylvia Varkonyi 6. Mary Beth Northrup
3. Mary Ann Radler 7. Marge Bennett
4. Bob Bailey 8.

FINANCIAL COUNTING TEAMS:

Mar 3 Stacy Bennett & Helpers
Mar 10 Stacy Bennett & Helpers
Mar 17 Cheryl Fernandez/Cyril Williamson
Mar 24 Stacy Bennett & Helpers
Mar 31 Stacy Bennett & Helpers

FLOWERS:

Mar 3
Mar 10 Berenice Becher
Mar 17 Jerry Poche
Mar 24 OPEN
Mar 31 Easter Lilies

FELLOWSHIP HOUR:

Mar 3 Berenice & Jim Becher
Mar 10 OPEN
Mar 17 PICNIC
Mar 24 Winston Seepersaud
Mar 31 Easter Sunday

CLOSER: Mary Beth Northrup

ITEMS FOR MARCH, APRIL, MAY BROWARD OUTREACH

Items for men:
Undershirts and boxers size medium and larger
Socks

USHERS:

Mar 3 Jane Bodden, Hyacinth Babb
Carole McLoughlin, Elvet Rhoden,
Ed Gariboldi,
Mar 10 Annette Adams, Judy Rodgers,
Dianne Campbell, Betty Lusardi,
Cindy Vanderlaan, Gary Venema,
Jesse Walaschek, Sarah Walaschek
Mar 17 Peg Royle, Cheryl Fernandez,
Ken Stutz, Janet Stutz,
Ali Saladeen, Molly Saladeen,
Andre Khan, Angie Ebarle
Mar 24 Bob Bailey, Anna Levy,
Jennifer Hurst, Marlene Allen,
Dennis Morales
Mar 31 To be determined

MEMBER/STAFF PRAYER FAMILIES:

Families of:

Mar 3 Jean Manda
Ruby Martin
Mar 10 Liz Martis
Carolyn McClain
Mar 17 Janet McGahee
Ryan & Allison McKirchy
Mar 24 Millicent & Keithley McLarty
Jack McLaughlin
Mar 31 Carole McLoughlin
Joyce McMillan

It is our desire to specifically pray for the families of the members and staff of Faith. Families are listed (2 at a time) in alphabetical order through the year. Please include these families in your prayers each week.

CHURCH WEBSITE AND E-MAILS:

www.faithpembrokepines.com Check it out for upcoming events, the Pastor's sermon notes, and information about the church.

e-mail addresses for the church:

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Pastor: pastormichel@bellsouth.net

MARCH 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 No Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship-Sun Sch 10:30 Ignite Worship 11:45 Sr. High 12:00 Bethel Bible Study	4.	5.	6. 10:30 Bible Study 11:45 FCDDC Chapel 7:30 Deacon's Mtg	7. 6:30 Worship Mtg. 7:30 Chancel Choir	8. 6:30 The movie <i>Courageous</i> will be shown	9. <i>Daylight Saving</i> Time begins tomorrow—set your clocks ahead 1 hour before bed
10. 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship-Comm 10:30 Ignite Worship 11:45 Sr High Class 12:00 Communicants CI 6:30 Praise Worship	11.	12.	13. 10:30 Bible Study 11:45 FCDDC Chapel 12:30 School Board 6:30-8:30 Youth	14. 7:30 Outreach Mtg 7:30 Chancel Choir	15. 6:30 dinner before 7:00- 24 hours that Changed the World	16. 10:00 Girl Scouts 6:00 Movie Night and Pot Luck Dinner "The Climb"
17. 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship-Sun Sch 10:30 Ignite Worship 12:00 Church Picnic— Tree Tops Park	18	19	20 10:30 Bible Study 11:45 FCDDC Chapel 7:30 Session Mtg	21 3:00-8:00 Blood Drive 7:30 Chancel Choir	22. 6:30 Friday Night With Friends- Mazell's	23.
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31. EASTER SUNDAY 9:30-10:30 Breakfast 11:00 Worship 11:00 Ignite Worship						