

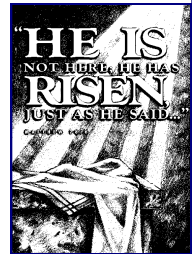
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FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Pembroke Pines, FL
Rev. Michel D. Yonts, Pastor
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***"He is not here, he has been raised."
- Luke 24:6 (GNB)***

These words, spoken by the angel at the empty tomb, ushered in a whole new era for humanity. Up until the resurrection, evil was in control of the world and Satan had a free reign over the people. But when God raised Jesus from death on that first Easter Sunday, all that changed. Satan was defeated, evil was overcome, and Jesus Christ began to reign.



Needless to say, evil and Satan are still around. At times, it seems like they are still in control. But this is not true. Satan is fighting a desperate, but losing, battle. He is burning fields and blowing up bridges behind him as he retreats, but those are only signs that his final defeat is closer than ever.

As we have just celebrated the resurrection on Easter, remember that we are "more than victors" in Jesus Christ. Let us act like the overcomers we are supposed to be, for our Lord has won the battle, and we need never fear defeat.

Christ Is Risen!
Hallelujah!

~Pastor Michel



PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Group meets twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 6:30 PM. For April, Prayer Group meetings will be the **14th and 28th**, again at 6:30 PM. Join us for these times of prayer with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL with Pastor Michel continues at 9:15 A.M. in the Library. We are in a study of the book of Daniel. Join us on any Sunday.



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday morning Bible study is currently in a study of Titus. 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.

MEN'S GROUP



The men's group will meet on *April 24* at 7:30 in the Library. We will be viewing a DVD about LTG (Ret.) William G. Boykin, a devout Christian and former commander of Delta Force. Join us for fellowship and discussion.

The Board of Deacons will be visiting our homebound members on Saturday, *April 6th* at 10:00 am. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit with those who are not able to get out as much. You don't have to be a deacon to participate in this wonderful time of sharing.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MOVIE NIGHT POTLUCK DINNER -

Potluck & Movie Night is held on the 3rd Saturday of each month. In April that will be *April 20th* at 6:00 pm. Please bring a dish to share and your appetite!! Following dinner, while we eat dessert, we will watch *In the Blink of an Eye*. It is the account of one man's revelation he's been "left behind". Starring Eric Roberts (brother of Julia, father of Emma) and David and Andrea White, this movie was rated the "Best Apocalyptic Film of the Year" in 2009 by Christian Movies Direct.



FRIDAY NIGHT WITH FRIENDS

On the 4th Friday of each month we visit different restaurants in the area. It is a great night out with friends. This month, on *April 26th* at 6:30 pm we are taking a trip to the Orient by dining at **Shinju** in Pembroke Pines (14838 Pines Blvd – just west of I75). This is a buffet so bring your appetite. They have traditional Chinese dishes, stir fry, sushi, shrimp, crab legs, along with soups, salads and desserts. You'll find this restaurant to be clean, bright and the food is good. Let Judy Otto know if you plan to attend.



Fellowship would like to thank Ian Mackay and Steve Nash for setting up the grill and being grill masters extraordinaire at the annual picnic. Also thanks are always on hand for Winston Seepersaud who made all of the major food purchases.

Fellowship would like to thank Nancy and Bob Bailey for their diligence in inventorying the paper goods and seeing that our supply is always available for Fellowship events. This is not an easy task and they perform it seamlessly.

SAVE THE DATE: Due to numerous requests (actually hounding by some people) the 2nd Game Night for 2013 is scheduled for Friday, *May 31st* at 6:30PM. Such fun was had at the last game night that word has gotten out and many others want to join in. You don't have to be smart, rich or good-looking to attend . . . you just need a desire to have fun. Pizza, salad and sodas will be available for a small charge.



HELP WANTED:

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY for those ladies who may have a special heart for the women's ministry here at Faith Presbyterian Church. While the salary is very low, and the hours are not long, the rewards are PRICELESS! Please pray about this -- is God asking you to serve Him in this manner? Right now He is seeking those who are committed to furthering His work in this field (Matthew 9:36-38; Luke 10:1-3). Please contact Linda Purrington with any questions or bring them to the tea on May 4th.

THANK YOU:

Dear Faith Family,

Thank you for the lovely card, cake and everyone's warm wishes! It was unexpected, but very appreciated. We were blessed to be a part of such a great church family. We will miss you all.

God bless,
Scott & Kathy Nicholson



Thank you to Jean Dumford for working on pressure cleaning the front side walk. It looks so much better!

Thank you to Janet McGahee, Jerry Poche and Jean Dumford for bringing in palm fronds for the Palm Sunday Service.

We thank our very dedicated gardener, Dianne Campbell for faithfully tending to the landscaping here at Faith!! Unfortunately she is moving back to Pennsylvania the end of April. We will miss her faithful spirit so much. She reminded me we are going to need a new gardening team since she is moving away. There are so many plants there that are not getting watered and we are going to lose them before rainy season comes. Please consider helping.

THE LADIES TEA

LADIES: Please join us for our annual Spring Tea on Saturday, **May 4**, at 12 noon. **SAVE THE DATE!** Enjoy fellowship with the Ladies at



Faith. This is an event open to all women who attend Faith and women who don't (but have friends who do!). Even children are welcome. (If you plan to bring a child, it will be helpful to our planning to know the age and gender.) Please plan to attend this Tea if you are in town! A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex. You do not need to bring any food or beverages or pay any "contribution". Just come! (If you are interested in hostessing a table, please let us know. Call either Linda Purrington or Marge Bennett and we will let you know what that entails).

Thank you to all those who participated in the Easter Lily Mission. We had 9 who contributed totally to the mission and 23 who provided for the mission and an Easter lily. After paying for the plants, we were able to send \$400 to the Voice of the Martyrs to help a new kind of medical clinic in Nigeria.



Thank you so much to Ethel Thomas for the incredible job she does organizing and encouraging the "Secret Sisters". You are very much appreciated Ethel!!!

Secret Sisters are reminded to check the Secret Sister box when they come to church each Sunday.

Minute for Mission.....Pondering on Pentecost

Holy week is over and there are 50 days before we celebrate Pentecost. The question arises, "Are we a Pentecostal people living the Spirit-filled life?"

On the Day of Jesus Ascension, he gave the disciples a commission - be my witness to the ends of the earth. He also told them to wait, and speaks of the one he will send, who will be their Comforter, Advocate, Companion and empower them, so they might fulfill this calling. (Acts 1:4 - 5).

In our time, as we are called by our Lord and Savior, Jesus, we too are in-dwelt by the Holy Spirit. In Ephesians 5:18 - 20, Paul instructs us to "Be filled with the Spirit". Are we blowing our own breath into the sails for our lives or our church? It is our voluntary choice to allow the Holy Spirit to influence, lead, guide and rule in our lives. Take time to ponder the meaning of Pentecost, pray to be filled by the Spirit, and be changed by the spirit, so that we too may witness to the ends of the earth.

The Pentecost Offering (one of the few "special" offerings we take each year) will be taken on May 19th and will be given to Voice of the Martyrs, to be used at their discretion to further their work around the world. On February 3, 2013, we were blessed with a visit from Darcie Gill. She impressed all who heard her so much we have asked her to return and speak during Sunday worship time (date to be determined). The work of VOM is very significant to the persecuted Christians around the world, from support for an individual family to support of a community or a congregation. The church will have available a few (approximately 25) coin folders for those who wish to contribute to the Pentecost Offering by saving their quarters...for the rest of us who might mislay the coin folder or forget to bring it in, we are encouraged to make our contribution on May 19 in the form of cash or check (in either case identified as the special Pentecost Offering).



~Jane Minikus & Linda Purrington

MORE FROM THE MISSION MINISTRY:

Those of us who serve God on the Mission Ministry (Jane Minikus, Steve Minikus, Jane Bodden, Luz Porter, Angie Ebarle, Ralph Acevedo, Mary Ann Radler and Pastor Michel) share a growing concern with the debt load being carried by Faith Presbyterian Church EPC and a recognition that the high debt load impairs our ability to be faithful stewards of the resources available to us...we are not able to contribute to many worthy mission causes that come before us and we are not able to fully fund our own programs here at the church as we "pay the mortgage first". Accordingly, after discussion, it was decided to encourage anyone in the congregation who may be blessed, from time to time, with some extra funds, to make a specific (over and above the pledge already made) contribution to be directed towards "principal reduction". These contributions will enable us to pay the outstanding principal balance of the existing mortgage in favor of the Presbytery of Tropical Florida (UPCUSA) faster, thus reducing the total interest paid to PTF and getting Faith Presbyterian out from under a debt obligation to a creditor that we do not wish to owe. We will place a "thermometer" in the Narthex shortly, so all can see how quickly we can pay the principal balance!



Minute for Newcomers/Outreach...

There will be a sign up in April for a New Members/Inquiry class to be held **May 5**, after worship, with a light lunch served. Childcare is available with notice. Those joining would be received on May 19 during the worship service.

If you weren't in church on Palm Sunday, an announcement was made regarding a Prison visitation ministry that's seeking volunteers to become involved. Please pray and consider that outreach ministry. There will be an orientation on April 18 to learn more about this ministry. See Ralph Acevedo or Ian Mackay for more details. (Thank you for getting this ministry underway—we will pray that souls will be reached through you)



In Christ's love and service,
Jane Minikus

VBS MURAL PAINTING

The VBS mural painting has begun and we are almost done with 2 panels—but have 5 more to go!! We meet on Saturday mornings at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall. It is a lot of fun and you don't have to be an incredible artist to help. It's like coloring in a coloring book,



We usually paint for 2-3 hours, but you can come for as long as you are able. Be sure and wear clothing you don't mind getting paint on!

If you have any questions, please see Marge.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Howdy,

Preparations for Faith's 2013 VBS program are in full swing. VBS is a great outreach program for the church that brings in 140 children ages 3 through 6th grade from the community to learn about Jesus. It is a fun week for all – students, teachers & helpers. Following are some ways you can help with this year's VBS.



We are in need of 70 brown grocery bags (with the flat bottoms) that are new (or like new) for one of the craft projects the VBS kids are going to do. If you have any, please bring them to the church.

Please save plastic grocery bags. These are used for the children to bring home their crafts, papers, announcements, prizes, etc. every day.

After church on Sunday, April 7th, Sandy Venema will be in the Fellowship Hall with list of craft supplies that are needed for this year's VBS. Your help every year with craft supplies is so appreciated.

Does anyone have a large chest freezer that could hold 700 popsicles for about 2 weeks? Our VBS kids love popsicles after recreation time!

If you would like to be a helper during the week of VBS, please let me know.

If anyone has any questions, feel free to call or e-mail me.

Thanks! I look forward to seeing y'all in June.

~June Glasel

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, **April 10th** and **April 24** 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 will be held 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 or sign the poster in the



Narthex. This fundraiser will help them attend the Acquire the Fire event coming soon and other activities they have planned through the year. You need to have lunch, so why not just stay and eat in Fellowship Hall and support our wonderful youth at the same time. Your participation will be appreciated.

They will also be selling raffle tickets—1 ticket for \$1.00 or 6 tickets for \$5.00 to area restaurants. Come join the fun.



COMMUNICANTS CLASS

Attention all students (and parents of students) in Grades 8 through 12 who are not currently members of Faith Presbyterian Church: If you are interested in becoming a member of the church, it's not too late. Pastor Michel is offering a series of classes intended to lead up to that church membership. 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. Remaining classes



will be offered on **April 14, 21, and 28, and May 5**. Those who wish to join must attend the classes with May 5 being a "make-up" session for those who had to miss. Please let Pastor Michel know if you would like to be a part of this class.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



April 8, 2000

Jeff & Betty Steel

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.

PASTOR SAEED ABEDINI is an American citizen who was arrested while on an Iranian government approved visit to establish an orphanage. He is in prison for converting to Christianity. You can support and work for the freedom of Pastor Abedini by going on line to www.savesaeed.com and signing the petition for his release. Please help today and tell your friends.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April 2	Jeff Northrup
April 3	Peg Royle
April 4	Debra Rodriguez
April 5	Hattie Burton
April 6	Simone Rhoden
April 8	Suzanne Bennett
April 9	Jane Williamson
April 12	Keziah Minoo
April 14	Abigail Kanchan
April 16	Mariah Brijanand
	Stephan Chung
	Debbie Wetzel
April 17	Jay Brijanand
April 18	Ashley Walaschek
April 19	Vera Burke
April 20	Carline Chung
April 22	DeDe Lichtman
	Gillian Ossmann
April 25	David Mack
April 26	Cyril Williamson
April 27	Jennifer Hurst
	Osbert Mirjah
	Katelyn Steel

COIN CONTAINERS to benefit the hungry are on the table in the Narthex. The cans are labeled "Food for the Famished". Please pick up a container today, take it home, put your coins/bills in it and bring it back the end of the month. Funds will stay locally and will help a variety of different needs.



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 APRIL 2013

LITURGIST:

Apr 7 Cynthia Isaacs
Apr 14 Dianne Campbell
Apr 21 Luz Porter
Apr 28 Wayne Adams

COMMUNION-ELDERS/DEACONS:

1. Ward Casterton 5. Ellen Bennet
2. Dawn Gariboldi 6. Judy Otto
3. Steve Minikus 7. Ralph Acevedo
4. Linda Purrington 8. Jane Bodden
Alternate: Stacy Bennett

FINANCIAL COUNTING TEAMS:

Apr 7 Stacy Bennett & Helpers
Apr 14 Stacy Bennett & Helpers
Apr 21 Cheryl Fernandez/Cyril Williamson
Apr 28 Stacy Bennett & Helpers

FLOWERS:

Apr 7 Audrey Sagers
Apr 14 Jerry Poche
Apr 21 OPEN
Apr 28 Audrey Sagers

FELLOWSHIP HOUR:

Apr 7 Carolyn McClain
Apr 14 Dianne Campbell
Apr 21 Secret Sisters
Apr 28 OPEN

CLOSER: Annette Adams

USHERS:

Apr 7 Jane Bodden, Hyacinth Babb
Carole McLoughlin, Elvet Rhoden,
Ed Gariboldi,
Apr 14 Annette Adams, Judy Rodgers,
Dianne Campbell, Betty Lusardi,
Cindy Vanderlaan, Gary Venema,
Jesse Walaschek, Sarah Walaschek
Apr 21 Peg Royle, Cheryl Fernandez,
Ken Stutz, Janet Stutz,
Ali Saladeen, Molly Saladeen,
Andre Khan, Angie Ebarle
Apr 28 Bob Bailey, Anna Levy,
Jennifer Hurst, Marlene Allen,
Dennis Morales

MEMBER/STAFF PRAYER FAMILIES:

Families of:

Apr 7 Aileen Melville
Steve & Jane Minikus
Apr 14 Deryck & Molly Minoo
Osbert & Ruby Mirjah
Apr 21 Larry & Lya Moler
Addie Murray
Apr 28 Cathy Musser
Marian Musser

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.

ITEMS FOR APRIL & MAY BROWARD OUTREACH

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

CHURCH WEBSITE AND E-MAILS:

www.faihpembrokepines.com Check it out
for upcoming events, the Pastor's sermon
notes, and information about the church.
e-mail addresses for the church:
Marge: thefaihpchurch@bellsouth.net
Pastor: pastormichel@bellsouth.net

APRIL 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1. 7:30 Administration Mtg.	2. 8:30 A.A. Meeting	3. 10:30 Bible Study 11:45 FCDDC Chapel	4. 6:30 Worship Mtg. 7:30 Chancel Choir	5. 6:00 Girl Scouts .6:30 dinner before 7:00- 24 hours that Changed the World	6. 10:00 Girl Scouts 10:00 VBS Mural Painting
7 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship-Comm 10:30 Ignite Worship 12:00 Soup & Salad Fundraiser Lunch 12:15 Bethel Bible Study	8. 6:00 Hope Women's Center Annual Banquet	9. 7:30 Youth Christian Growth 8:30 A.A. Meeting	10. 10:30 Bible Study 11:45 FCDDC Chapel 6:30-8:30 Youth Group	11. 7:30 Outreach Mtg 7:30 Chancel Choir	12. EPC Presbytery Meeting-Orlando 6:30 dinner before 7:00- 24 hours that Changed the World	13. 10:00 VBS Mural Painting ↓
14. 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship-Sun Sch 10:30 Ignite Worship 11:45 Sr High Class 12:00 Communicants CI 12:00 Bethel Bible Study 6:30 Praise Worship	15. 7:30 Adult Christian Growth Mtg	16. 8:30 A.A. Meeting	17. 10:30 Bible Study 11:45 FCDDC Chapel 7:30 Session Mtg	18. 7:30 Chancel Choir	19. 6:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 dinner before 7:00- 24 hours that Changed the World	20. 10:00 Girl Scouts 10:00 VBS Mural Painting 6:00 Movie Night and Pot Luck Dinner
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